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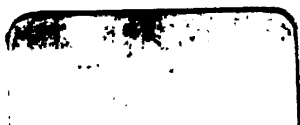
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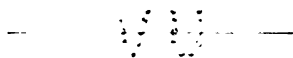
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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1899.

The Senate met at 12 M., and was called to order by Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS.

Prayer by Rev. H. M. Hope.

The following communication was received from the Secretary of the Commonwealth, transmitting list of senators-elect, as follows :

RICHMOND, VA., December 6, 1899.

To the Honorable, the Clerk of the Senate :

SIR :

As required by law, I herewith respectfully transmit a list of the members elect of the Senate for the term beginning this day, as ascertained and determined by the Board of State Canvassers at their meeting held November 27, 1899, the official record of which is on file in my office.

Respectfully,

J. T. LAWLESS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

MEMBERS-ELECT OF THE SENATE.

Second District—Scott, Lee and Wise—R. P. Bruce.

Fourth District—Montgomery, Craig, Roanoke and cities of Roanoke and Radford—Edward Lyle.

Sixth District—Carroll, Grayson and Patrick—E. J. Harvey.

Eighth District—Rockingham—George B. Keezell.

Tenth District—Shenandoah and Frederick and city of Winchester—S. L. Lupton.

Twelfth District—Clarke, Page and Warren—Thomas D. Gold.

Fourteenth District—Alexandria, Fairfax and Prince William and city of Alexandria—S. R. Donohoe.

Sixteenth District—Powhatan, Goochland and Chesterfield and city of Manchester—Philip V. Cogbill.

Eighteenth District—Buckingham, Fluvanna and Appomattox—H. D. Flood.

Twentieth District—Campbell and city of Lynchburg—Carter Glass.

Twenty-second District—Bedford—Graham Claytor.

Twenty-fourth District—Pittsylvania and city of Danville—Joseph Whitehead.

Twenty-sixth District—Floyd and Franklin—J. A. Dinwiddie.

Twenty-eighth District—Lunenburg, Nottoway and Brunswick—Wm. H. Mann.

Thirtieth District—Amelia, Cumberland and Prince Edward—A. D. Watkins.

Thirty-second District—Southampton, Isle of Wight and Nansemond—William Shands.

Thirty-fourth District—Hanover and Caroline—H. T. Wickham.

Thirty-sixth District—King George, Richmond, Westmoreland, Northumberland and Lancaster—C. Harding Walker.

Thirty-eighth District—Elizabeth City, Warwick, York, James City, Charles City, New Kent and King William and the cities of Williamsburg and Newport News—D. G. Tyler.

RICHMOND, VA., December 6, 1899.

To the Honorable, the Clerk of the Senate:

DEAR SIR:

I have the honor to communicate that at the general election held the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1898, Hon. Charles E. McCorkle was elected to represent the Seventh Senatorial District of Virginia, composed of the counties of Rockbridge, Alleghany, Bath and Highland and the city of Buena Vista, as will appear by the certified statement of votes on file in this office, for the unexpired term of Hon. S. Houston Letcher, resigned.

Yours respectfully,

J. T. LAWLESS,
Secretary of the Commonwealth.

The roll was then called, and the following Senators responded to their names:

Messrs. W. P. Barksdale, Thomas E. Blakey, R. P. Bruce, Graham Claytor, P. V. Cogbill, J. A. Dinwiddie, S. R. Donohoe, D. Q. Eggleston, Henry Fairfax, H. D. Flood, W. E. Foster, Carter Glass, Thomas D. Gold, R. B. Hartley, E. J. Harvey, R. A. James, J. L. Jeffries, George B. Keezell, George W. Le Cato, S. L. Lupton, Edward Lyle, Wm. Hodges Mann, Bland Massie, H. L. Maynard, C. E. McCorkle, George W. Morris, B. B. Munford, J. N. Opie, William Shands, Alex. St. Clair, Charles W. Steeie, Thomas L. Tate, D. G. Tyler, C. H. Walker, G. M. Wallace, A. D. Watkins, Henry T. Wickham—37.

A quorum being present the following Senators having previously filed in the office of the clerk of the Senate certificates of their election, came forward, and the clerk administered to each of them the oath prescribed by law:

Messrs. R. P. Bruce, Graham Claytor, P. V. Cogbill, J. A. Dinwiddie, S. R. Donohoe, H. D. Flood, Carter Glass, Thomas D. Gold, E. J. Harvey, George B. Keezell, S. L. Lupton, Edward Lyle, Wm. H. Mann, C. E. McCorkle, William Shands, D. G. Tyler, C. H. Walker, A. D. Watkins, Henry T. Wickham.

On motion of Mr. WICKHAM,

Resolved, That the rules for the government of the Senate shall be the rules adopted at the session of 1897-'98.

1.

ATTENDANCE AND ADJOURNMENT.

1. No member shall absent himself from the service of the Senate without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend.

2. A majority of senators shall be necessary to proceed to business; five may adjourn, and nine may order a call of the Senate, send for absentees, and make any order for their censure or discharge. On a call of the Senate, the doors shall not be closed against any senator until his name shall have been once enrolled.

3. When the Senate adjourns each day, every senator shall keep his seat until the President leaves his seat.

II.

THE PRESIDENT.

4. If any question be put upon a bill or resolution, the President shall state the same without argument.

5. The President may call any senator to the chair, who shall exercise its functions for the time; but no senator, by virtue of such appointment, shall preside for a longer period than three days.

6. At the commencement of each session the Senate shall elect four pages, who shall receive for their services two dollars per day each.

III.

THE CLERK.

7. The clerk of the Senate shall not suffer any records or papers to be taken from the table or out of his custody by any person except a chairman of a committee; but he may deliver any bills or papers, directed to be printed, to the superintendent of public printing, or to any senator, on taking his receipt for the same.

8. The Journal of the Senate shall be daily drawn up by the clerk, and shall be read the succeeding day; it shall be printed under the supervision of the clerk and delivered to the senators without delay.

9. The clerk of the Senate shall appoint a first assistant and a second assistant clerk, and five committee clerks, not more than one of whom shall be appointed from the same congressional district. One of the committee clerks shall be clerk of the committee on roads and internal navigation, and of agriculture, mining and manufacturing; one of the committee on general laws, and of privileges and elections; one of the committee for courts of justice, and on public institutions and education; one of the committee on finance and banks; one of the committee on county, city and town organizations, and on fish and game. The clerks so appointed shall remain in the capitol during the sessions of the Senate, and shall perform any duties that the other standing committees may require, when not employed by their respective committees; and the clerk of the Senate may also require said clerks, when not employed by the standing committees, to assist in engrossing bills or aid him in the Senate chamber when necessary. The said clerks shall be removable by the clerk of the Senate or by the committees of which they are clerks. The second assistant clerk, who shall act as clerk of the committee on education, shall receive the same compensation as a clerk of a committee.

10. Before reading each bill, the clerk shall announce whether it is the first, second, or third time of the reading of the bill.

11. The clerks of the Senate and House of Delegates may interchange messages at such time between the hour of adjournment and that of meeting on the following day as that the said messages may be read immediately after the orders of the day.

12. The clerk of the Senate shall, at each session, have printed and bound with the manual of rules, &c., the Constitution of Virginia, for the use of the senators.

IV.

SERGEANT-AT-ARMS AND DOORKEEPER.

13. No senator shall be taken into custody by the sergeant-at-arms on any complaint of breach of privilege until the matter is examined by the committee of privileges and elections and reported to the Senate, unless by order of the Senate.

14. It shall be the duty of the doorkeeper of the Senate to preserve, in chronological or numerical order, a copy of every printed document distributed in the Senate, and to deliver the same at the close of the session to the clerk of the

Senate, whose duty it shall be to have them bound and preserved in his office for the use of this body.

15. In order to prevent interruption of the business of the Senate, the doorkeeper shall be constantly at his post during the sessions of the Senate, and shall admit within the chamber no person except officers of the government of this and any other State and of the United States; members and ex-members of Congress and House of Delegates; their officers; ex-members of the Senate of Virginia; ministers of the gospel and reporters of the proceedings of the Senate; but ladies and their escorts may be assigned privileged seats. It shall be the duty of the doorkeeper to show all persons not entitled to privileged seats to the gallery. It shall be his duty, when any person desires an interview with a senator or the president, or the clerk of the Senate, to send a messenger to him, and such person may be admitted to one of the privileged seats, if so invited by either of them. And the President of the Senate shall, moreover, be permitted to invite to a seat near the chair any person he may deem worthy of such distinction.

V.

COMMITTEES.

16. At the commencement of each session the following committees shall be elected:

I. A committee of privileges and elections, to consist of not less than seven nor more than ten senators.

II. A committee for courts of justice, to consist of not less than seven nor more than thirteen senators.

III. A committee on general laws, to consist of not less than seven nor more than eleven senators.

IV. A committee on roads and internal navigation, to consist of not less than seven nor more than fifteen senators.

V. A committee on finance and banks, to consist of not less than seven nor more than thirteen senators.

VI. A committee on public institutions and education, to consist of not less than seven nor more than fifteen senators.

VII. A committee on county, city and town organizations, to consist of not less than seven nor more than ten senators.

VIII. A committee on agriculture, mining, and manufacturing, to consist of not less than seven nor more than ten senators.

IX. A committee on fish and game, to consist of not less than seven nor more than eleven senators.

X. A committee on enrolled bills, to consist of not less than seven nor more than nine senators.

The following committees shall consist of three senators, viz:

To examine the office of Clerk of the Senate.

On Rules

On the Library.

On Executive Expenditures.

To examine the office of Auditor of Public Accounts.

To examine the Second Auditor's office.

To examine the Treasurer's office.

To examine the office of Register of the Land Office.

To examine the Bonds of Public Offices.

On the Public Printing.

17. The standing committees shall be elected by the Senate, unless the Senate direct otherwise, and the Senator first named by the President shall be the chairman, unless the committee direct otherwise.

18. The several committees shall, in all cases report whether other cases comprised within the principal of the matter referred may arise; and if a bill be ordered, it shall provide for all such cases; and upon any matter referred, the committee shall have power to report by bill.

19. Select committees shall consist of not less than three nor more than nine Senators, unless the Senate direct otherwise.

20. The committee of privileges and elections shall examine the oaths taken by each Senator and the certificate of election furnished by the proper officer, and report thereon to the Senate.

21. The committee of privileges and elections shall report in all cases of privileges or contested elections the principles and reasons on which their resolutions are founded.

22. The committee on finance and banks shall, at each session, examine into the indebtedness of the Commonwealth, the revenues and expenditures of the preceding year, and prepare an estimate of the expense of the succeeding year, and make such report thereon as they may deem proper.

23. The committee on general laws shall, at each session, examine into the state and manner of administration of the literary fund and make such report thereon as they may deem proper.

24. To the committee on general laws shall be referred all resolutions and bills concerning the militia, private claims, propositions and grievances, and other matters of a general nature not properly referable to any other standing committee.

25. To the committee on public institutions and education shall be referred all bills and resolutions concerning education, the penitentiary, lunatic asylums, the institution for the deaf and dumb and blind, the armory and other public property at the seat of government. And it shall be the duty of the said committee to examine at each session into the condition of the penitentiary and make such report thereon as they may deem proper. Neither said committee, nor a sub-committee thereof shall visit any public institution outside the city of Richmond, without leave of the Senate first authorized and obtained.

26. To the committee on agriculture, mining, and manufacturing shall be referred all bills, resolutions, and petitions concerning agriculture, mining, manufacturing, commerce, and mechanic arts.

27. The committee to examine the clerk's office shall see that all papers belonging thereto are properly filed, labeled, and put away in the presses, and that the books belonging to the office are chronologically arranged, and shall make an annual report thereof to the Senate.

28. When a bill seeking relief or for an act of incorporation is referred to a standing committee of the Senate, the committee shall examine whether the object can be obtained by application to the courts under the general laws; and if so, it shall be the duty of the committee to report that it shall not pass, unless there be special reasons for its consideration by the General Assembly. And no variation of maximum capital or quantity of land which the courts are authorized to empower corporations to hold, not shown to be indispensably necessary to the object of the corporations, shall be deemed by the committee as exempting the bill from the operation of laws conferring on the courts the power of granting charters or affording relief.

29. The President of the Senate, the President *pro tempore*, and the chairman of the committee on privileges and elections shall constitute a standing committee on rules, to whom all resolutions amending or altering the rules of the Senate shall be referred; and said committee shall report such amendments to said rules as in their judgment are necessary and proper.

30. A majority of any committee shall constitute a quorum.

VI.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

31. After reading the journal, one hour, to be called the "morning hour," shall be devoted as follows:

I. To dispose of communications from the House of Delegates and the executive.

II. To receive reports from standing committees (for which purpose they shall be called by the clerk.)

III. To receive reports from select committees.

IV. To receive resolutions, petitions, and bills, on leave.

32. At the expiration of the morning hour the Senate shall proceed to the consideration of the calendar, as follows:

I. The unfinished business of the preceding day.

II. Bills and resolutions in the order in which they stand on the calendar.

33. When a bill or resolution of the House of Delegates is passed or rejected by the Senate it shall remain under the control of the Senate for the space of two days, and the fact of the passage or rejection, with the bill or resolution, shall then be communicated to the House of Delegates, unless otherwise ordered.

34. All bills or other business originating in the Senate shall be dispatched in the order in which they are introduced, and all bills and resolutions sent from the House of Delegates shall be dispatched in the order in which they are sent, unless in either case the Senate direct otherwise.

35. All bills originating in the Senate shall be read on three separate days, and in case they be of a general nature they shall be printed after their first reading.

36. Bills and resolutions originating in the House of Delegates, and not requiring immediate action, shall be read the first and second times when received, and referred to their appropriate committees, unless the Senate direct otherwise.

37. A bill presented by a senator, by leave of the Senate, may be committed before its first reading; but no bill reported from a committee of the Senate shall be recommitted or amended until it has been twice read, nor shall any bill be amended after its third reading, except by the unanimous consent of the Senate.

38. Joint resolutions originating in the Senate shall lie on the table one day at least, unless otherwise ordered.

39. The yeas and nays on any question shall, at the desire of five senators, be entered on the Journal. After the yeas and nays shall have been taken, and before they are counted or entered on the Journal, the clerk shall read over the names of those who voted in the affirmative and of those who voted in the negative, at which time any senator shall have the right to correct any mistake committed in enrolling his name.

40. Upon the determination of a question, any senator may enter his protest upon the Journal, with the consent of one-third of the senators present; and on the question, "Shall the protest be entered on the Journal?" no privileged motion shall be in order except to adjourn.

41. Whenever the Senate proceeds to consider any nominations of the governor which are subject to the choice or ratification of the Senate, the same shall be considered in executive session, with closed doors, and the proceedings thereon shall be in secret, unless the injunction of secrecy be removed by a vote of the Senate.

42. A motion to take from the table shall not be in order unless the bill, resolution, or other matter proposed to be taken up would be appropriate for consideration under the order of business then in hand, as prescribed by rules 31 and 32.

VII.

ORDER AND DECORUM.

43. While the President is reporting or putting any question, or the clerk is reporting a bill or calling the roll, or a senator is addressing the chair, strict order shall be observed.

44. If words be spoken in debate that give offence, exceptions thereto shall be taken the same day, and be stated in writing; and in such case, if the words be decided by the president or by the Senate, upon an appeal, to be offensive, and they be not explained or retracted by the senator who uttered them, he shall be subject to such action as the Senate may deem necessary.

VIII.

ASCERTAINING THE QUESTION.

45. A motion for a second reading, and a motion for committing the bill, may be submitted at the same time; but the questions upon these motions shall be put separately, if required by any senator.

46. Any senator may call for a division of the question, which shall be divided if it comprehend propositions so distinct in substance that, one being taken away, a substantive proposition shall remain for the decision of the Senate; and a motion to strike out, being lost, shall preclude neither amendment nor a motion to insert, nor a motion to strike out and insert.

47. When a question is pending, no motion shall be received but to adjourn, to pass by for the pending question, for the previous question, to lie on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to adjourn the question to a different day, to commit, or amend; which several motions shall have precedence in the order in which they are arranged.

IX.

THE PENDING AND PREVIOUS QUESTIONS.

48. Upon a motion for the pending question, seconded by a majority of the senators present, indicated by rising or by a recorded vote, the president shall immediately put the pending question; and all incidental questions of order arising after a motion for the pending question is made, and pending such motion, shall be decided, whether on appeal or otherwise, without debate.

49. Upon a motion for the previous question, seconded by a majority of senators present, indicated by rising or by a recorded vote, the president shall immediately put the question, first upon amendments in the order prescribed in the rules, and then upon the main question. If the previous question be not ordered, debate may continue as if the motion had not been made.

X.

TAKING THE VOTE.

50. Every senator present, when any question is put or vote taken, shall vote or be counted as voting on one side or the other; but no senator shall vote on a question in the event of which he is immediately or personally interested.

51. Every question shall be first put in the affirmative, and then in the negative, and the president shall declare whether the yeas or nays have it; which declaration shall stand as the judgment of the Senate, unless a senator call for a division, in which event the president shall divide the Senate.

52. When the yeas and nays are ordered, or a call of the Senate is directed, the names of the senators shall be called in alphabetical order.

53. No senator shall be allowed to vote unless he be present within the chamber at the time the Senate is being divided, or before a determination of the question upon a call of the roll.

XI.

DEBATE.

54. When any member is about to speak in debate or deliver any matter to the Senate, he shall arise from his seat, and, without advancing, with due respect, address "MR. PRESIDENT," confining himself strictly to the point in debate, and avoiding all disrespectful language.

55. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject, without leave of the Senate; nor more than once until every member choosing to speak shall have spoken.

56. No question shall be debated until it has been propounded by the president, and then the mover shall have a right to explain his views in preference to any senator.

57. When the president is putting a question, any senator who has not spoken before to the matter may speak to the question before the negative is put.

58. During any debate, any senator, though he has spoken to the matter, may rise and speak to the orders of the Senate if they be transgressed, in case the

president do not; but if the president stand up at any time, he is first to be heard, and while he is up senators must keep their seats.

59. No senator shall be allowed to be interrupted while speaking, except on points of order, to correct erroneous statements, or to answer any questions that may be propounded by the senator speaking.

60. Motions to adjourn; lay on the table; for the pending question; for the previous question; to suspend the rules; to take from the table; to take up orders of the day; to close debate; to limit debate; to extend limit of debate; to read papers; to reconsider questions not debatable, shall not be debated; but upon a motion to suspend a rule, or to take from the table, to lay on the table, or to take up orders of the day, the mover shall be allowed five minutes to state the reasons for his motion, and one member opposed to the motion shall be allowed a like time to object. And when a question not debatable is before the Senate, all incidental questions arising after it is stated shall be decided and settled, whether on appeal or otherwise without debate; and the same rule shall apply to all incidental questions arising after any question is put to the house.

XII.

RECONSIDERATION.

61. A question being once determined must stand as the judgment of the Senate, and cannot during the same session be drawn again into debate. No motion to reconsider a question which has been decided, shall be entertained, unless it be made by a senator voting with the prevailing side, nor unless made on the same day on which the vote was taken or within the two next days of actual session of the Senate thereafter: provided, however, that when any question is decided in the negative simply for the want of a majority of the whole Senate, any senator who was absent from the city of Richmond or detained from his seat by sickness at the time of the vote sought to be reconsidered may move its reconsideration.

XIII.

PETITIONS.

62. No petition of a private nature, having been once rejected, shall be acted on a second time, unless it be supported by new evidence; nor shall any such petition, after a third disallowance, be again acted on. The several clerks of committees shall keep alphabetical lists of all such petitions, specifying the session at which they were presented and the determination of the Senate thereon, and shall deliver the original petition to the clerk of the Senate, to be preserved in his office.

63. No petition shall be received claiming a sum of money or praying the settlement of unliquidated accounts, unless it be accompanied with the certificate of disallowance from the executive or auditor containing the reason why it was rejected. But this order shall extend to no person applying for a pension.

64. When any such petition, or bill founded on one, is rejected, such petition shall not be withdrawn; but the petitioner, or senator presenting his petition, or any senator from the county or corporation in which the petitioner resides, may, without leave, withdraw any document filed therewith, and a list of all documents so withdrawn, shall be preserved by the clerk. All petitions not finally acted on, may, with the accompanying documents, be in like manner withdrawn after the expiration of the session at which they were presented.

65. No petition shall be read in the Senate unless particularly requested by some senator; but every senator presenting one shall announce the name of the petitioner, nature of the application, and whether, in his opinion, a similar application had been before made by said petitioner. He shall also endorse on the petition his own name as a pledge that it is drawn in respectful language; whereupon it shall be delivered to the clerk, by whom it shall be laid before the proper committee.

XIV.

MANUAL AND RULES.

66. The rules of the Senate shall not be suspended except by a vote of two-thirds of the senators present, except that when a motion is made to discharge a committee of the Senate from the consideration of any measure referred to it, a majority of the senators-elect shall be sufficient to discharge such committee, to be ascertained by an actual division of the Senate.

XV.

CONSTRUCTION OF RULES.

67. In the construction of the foregoing rules, reference shall first be had to Jefferson's Manual and the Digest of the rules of the Congress of the United States.

The PRESIDENT announced that the next business in order was the election of officers of the Senate; whereupon,

Mr. MORRIS nominated as President *pro tempore* of the Senate, H. T. WICKHAM.

There being no further nomination, the roll was then called with the following result:

For H. T. Wickham, - - - 35

- The Senators who voted for H. T. WICKHAM are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, Maynard, McCorkle, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins—35.

Mr. WICKHAM having received all the votes cast was declared duly elected president *pro tempore* of the Senate.

The next business in order being the election of clerk of the Senate, Mr. FOSTER nominated for that office Joseph Button, of Appomattox county.

There being no further nomination, the roll was called with the following result:

For Joseph Button, - - - 35

Senators who voted for JOSEPH BUTTON are—Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, LeCato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, Maynard, McCorkle, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Wickham—35.

Joseph Button having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected clerk of the Senate for the ensuing term.

The next business in order being the election of the sergeant-at-arms of the Senate.

Mr. EGGLESTON nominated for that office F. B. Watkins, of Charlotte county.

There being no further nomination the roll was called with the following result :

For F. B. Watkins, - - - 36

Senators who voted for F. B. WATKINS are—Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, LeCato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McCorkle, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Wickham—36.

F. B. Watkins having received all of the votes cast, was declared duly elected the sergeant-at-arms of the Senate for the ensuing term.

The Senate then proceeded to the election of a door keeper.

Mr. OPIE nominated Samuel M. Donald, of Augusta county, for that office.

There being no further nomination, the roll was called with the following result :

For Samuel M. Donald, - - - 37

Senators who voted for SAMUEL M. DONALD are—Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, LeCato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McCorkle, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Wickham—37.

Samuel M. Donald having received all of the votes cast, was declared duly elected door-keeper of the Senate for the ensuing term.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS,

Resolved, That Joseph W. Parkinson, George Jordan, William M. Andrews and Burwell Seay, be elected pages of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. WICKHAM,

Ordered, That he inform the House of Delegates that the Senate is organized and ready to proceed to business.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. McRAE, who informed the Senate that that House was organized and ready to proceed to business.

A message was received from the House of Delegates, by Mr. DUPUY, who informed the Senate that the House had agreed to the following joint resolution :

Resolved, (the Senate concurring), That a committee be appointed composed of seven on the part of the House of Delegates and five on the part of the Senate, to notify the Governor that the Legislature of Virginia is duly organized and ready to receive any communication that he may desire to make.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. MANN, WALKER, FLOOD, CLAYTOR and FOSTER, as the committee on the part of the Senate.

The PRESIDENT appointed Mr. FLOOD to notify the House that the Senate had agreed to the House joint resolution appointing a committee to wait on the Governor.

Subsequently the committee, through its chairman, Mr. MANN, reported they had performed the duty assigned them, and the Governor would forthwith communicate in writing.

The following communication was received from the Governor, which, on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed, and 250 extra copies be printed for the use of the Senate :

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE,

RICHMOND, VA., *December 6, 1899.*

To the General Assembly of Virginia :

It is with peculiar pleasure that I welcome you to the Capitol, and extend to each of you a most cordial personal greeting. As the law-making branch of our State government, the citizens look to you to transmit to them in every statute and enactment the principles of liberty, justice and economy in public expenditures, which constitute the traditional heritage of this famous Commonwealth.

This is the last legislature elected in the State of Virginia during the nineteenth century, and it is in your hands to close for this great century, so full of giant progress and mighty meaning, the legislative history of the Commonwealth. And while it is thus in your power to impose fitting finish and adornment to the structure of civil government so wisely planned by our fathers, it is also in your power to provide for laying anew the constitutional foundations of your State government, on which those who are to come after us may build and find room for their best labors and most extended growth.

As a fitting preparation for the present duties, it may not be inappropriate to take a backward glance over the century now closing—surely the most inspiring century in the life of our English-speaking race. Its beginning saw unfurled in the West the flag of our new Republic confined to the thirteen colonies along the Atlantic sea coast, shut in by foreign foes and threatened by lurking savages. Its close sees a mighty scroll of States unrolled from ocean to ocean, and seventy-five million people dwelling in security and conscious power beneath the flag of our common country. Representative government, as prophesied by Virginia's Henry, as planned by Virginia's Jefferson, as achieved by Virginia's Washington, has vindicated itself and to-day our country is leading the nations of the world in thought, action, power and freedom. But it has been a long vigil and a never-dying purpose

on the part of the successive generations of American citizens to bring us where we are to-day. Liberty has been a jealous goddess, and every turning aside on the part of her devotees has been punished by the withholding of her rare and choice blessings. When we look back over the years that have gone and think of the vast expenditure of human brain and brawn, and human blood required to erect here our homes, establish here our system of government, and to maintain our manhood and our liberty, it is bound to stir a lively appreciation of the blessings we now enjoy and a deathless gratitude towards those free and undaunted spirits from whom we are proud to have descended. Go back an hundred years and think of the American wilderness from whose shadows the antlered herds were roused by the blows of the woodman's axe, then think of it as it is to-day, ribboned with interminable highways of steel, bewebbed with endless wires, marked all over by broad wagon roads, dotted with comfortable homes, while from sea to sea, everywhere, great cities lie beneath their canopy of smoke, throbbing with a nation's commercial life and energy. And all this development brought about by the spirit and intelligence of American citizenship, and resting secure and united in the invisible bonds of constitutional liberty. But the price of it all has been the vigilance of our citizens. The clash of debate and the free and vigorous exchange of opinions have marked our every forward step. How much better this is than a land whose people take no interest in their government, and who, either from profane ease or crushed spirit, turn over without discussion their sacred rights to others. But this material development, wonderful as it is, is not to be compared to the type of American citizens, to the beauty of the life in the American homes that has grown up upon this continent. Here religion has found its home, and education has brightened the life of all our people, and has been brought in reach of the humblest children. Independence and manliness have entered into the very texture and fiber of the souls of our people, and they resent with never yielding spirit the slightest encroachment upon their divine prerogatives. In it all, Virginia has borne a royal part, and while maintaining her government at home, and while leading in the great humanizing and educational work of the union, she has also spared from out her loins her noble youth to go into every part of this union, and there erect homes after the model of those left behind, and exemplify the manly spirit and intelligent freedom which they inherited from their fathers. Beginning with a princely domain, with princely bounty, she turned it over to the general government, and out of this, during the century past, have been carved some of the most powerful States of the Union, reserving only space enough for herself "in which her heroic heart could beat." She has borne the shock of war and the oppressive rule of the ignorant and arrogant, the extravagant waste of her credit and her resources, and

yet to-day faces the oncoming century never so bright and hopeful, aye, with never so much courage in her heart. The beginning of our national life saw England lose her wealthiest domain and most powerful colonies. To-day, we see Spain likewise lose the choice remaining territory of her once great empire, and these trusts, taken from their hands, are now in our keeping. From the Revolution to the present time Virginia's representatives have been in the vanguard of the nation's progress, directing her course and making straight her pathways. These few remarks by way of introduction, this swift backward glance, is surely pardonable when a Virginia governor meets a body of Virginia legislators at the close of such a century as this.

THE SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR.

Since the adjournment of the last legislature, this State has been called upon by the President of the United States to furnish volunteers in the recent war between this country and Spain. On the 25th day of April, 1898, I was notified by the Secretary of War that Virginia's quota of the first call for 125,000 men would be 3,000 men. I immediately issued a proclamation calling for volunteers. In less than forty-eight hours responses came not only for enough to supply the number desired, but more than five times as many eagerly proffered their services. I was requested to form this force into three regiments of twelve companies each. I anticipated trouble and perplexity in organizing these three regiments, as there was then existing in the State, organizations of four white regiments and two battalions of infantry, and the multiplicity of officers and the always delicate question of rank were expected to give trouble, but, thanks to the generosity of those interested, they met the situation with proper feeling and courtesy, and made my duties as light in this respect as possible. The next call of 1,670 men was promptly furnished the government, and were used in supplying men sufficient to recruit the first thirty-six companies up to the maximum of 108 men, supplemented by turning over to the government two colored battalions of infantry, then in the State service. These battalions had been organized under our present State law, and had volunteered as soon as the first call for men had been made. Knowing the necessity, aye, the almost sacred obligation resting upon a Virginia governor to harbor as far as possible the financial resources of the State, I endeavored by every means in my power to avoid unnecessary expense in rendezvousing these soldiers; and while other States had lavishly expended thousands upon thousands of dollars upon their volunteers, I am glad to state that there were no better troops more promptly offered the Federal government than the Virginia soldiers, and yet the entire expense to the State incident to all the work will not amount to over \$1,200.00, or about twenty-

five cents for each soldier, and I hope to be able to have even this small sum returned by the general government.

In addition to the invaluable services of Adjutant-General William Nalle, who worked night and day when the stress was upon us, I wish to make special acknowledgment of the services of Assistant Inspector-General Col. Jo. Lane Stern, and also of Col.'s C. O'B. Cowardin, W. O. Skelton, W. B. Tennant and W. M. Coulling, local members of my staff, who were present almost daily, and aided in every way possible to organize and provide for the comfort of the troops. I want also to make acknowledgment to the many employers of the soldiers who reserved their places for them to be taken again as soon as the war was over. I would also take this opportunity to suggest that the legislature make a small appropriation to furnish each officer who served in the Spanish-American war with a suitable commission of service that they may preserve as mementoes in their families, and a suitable badge might be provided for the non-commissioned officers and men.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S REPORT.

In this connection I would call attention to the full and elaborate report of the Adjutant-General, in which will be found detailed information touching the subject of our volunteers, and I wish to most heartily endorse all the recommendations therein contained. A properly regulated militia is one of the chief supports of a republican system of government, and every State should provide permanently and liberally for its volunteers. Thus may our young men preserve that martial spirit which makes tyranny impossible, and throws about our liberties and sovereign rights a strong and ready safeguard. They stand at all times in readiness to prevent disorder, quell insurrection and resist mob violence, and it is difficult to estimate the benefits thus accruing to society in the knowledge that they are on hand and at the command of the officers of the law. And in case our country is ever so unfortunate as to be menaced by foreign foe, the volunteers—the trained soldiers of the State militia—is the great reserve force upon which our country must call, and upon which it must depend. To this end I would take this occasion to suggest that it would be a wise expenditure on the part of our State government to provide means for the drilling and discipline of bodies of State troops, about which, as a nucleus, sufficient numbers of men may form whenever the need and cause may arise. Very meagre, if any records of enlistment of soldiers of other wars has been kept, and the Adjutant-General, at my special request, has given full roster of all soldiers enlisted in the Spanish-American war, from the State, and his reports and records will prove more and more valuable as time goes on. In order to have the organizations of our State volunteers conform as nearly as possible to organizations

of like arm of the service of the United States, I have designated a board of officers who are experienced, and deemed capable, to report a plan, which it is hoped will promote the interest of the service. It will be my pleasure to submit their suggestions as soon as they are completed.

THE FISH COMMISSION.

The last legislature made provision for a State Board of Fisheries, and passed a new law regulating its action. Recognizing the necessity of securing proper men to serve on this important board, I took considerable time after the adjournment of the legislature to select the men that I thought best qualified for the work in hand. I appointed as members of this board Dr. Frank Fletcher, of Accomac, Mr. Seth F. Miller, of Mathews, Hon. R. A. Ayres, of Scott, Hon. George B. Keezell, of Rockingham, and Captain John A. Curtis, of the city of Richmond. The first two were designated, as required by law, chairman and secretary respectively, of the board. After a month's service, General Ayres found he could not give the time necessary to the discharge of the duties of the position and resigned. I appointed in his place Hon. Pembroke Pettit, of Fluvanna. Whether my selections were wise, and whether the Board has done its work well, I leave the results to show. I refer with pleasure to the report of this board, and to the fact that instead of being a burden to the State, the oyster fields yielded the first year under this new system the handsome sum of \$54,000, more than \$34,000 of which was clear profit, and for the first eighteen months, ending the 31st of September, 1899, as will be seen by reference to the report of the Board of Fisheries to your honorable body, that the—

Total amount collected for the first eighteen months					
of the law's operation was	-	-	-	-	\$ 73,908 40
Total expenses,	-	-	-	-	30,397 34
Net revenue to the State,					\$ 42,509 06
Total revenue for the previous year,	-	-	-	-	29,985 20
Total expenses,	-	-	-	-	31,693 43
Deficit,					\$ 1,808 23
Difference, adding deficit,	-	-	-	-	43,317 29
Total income for four years, 1894-95-96-97,	-	-	-	-	131,630 38
Total expenses for the same time,	-	-	-	-	116,885 10
Net,					\$ 14,745 28
Average per annum,	-	-	-	-	3,686 32

Average annual expense under the old law, - -	29,221 20
Average annual expense under the new law, - -	20,264 88

There should be encouragement in such a showing.

Governor Wise, when he sent to the legislature his famous message in 1857, in which this subject among others was treated, indelibly impressed upon the minds of the people of Virginia the value of their property in public soil suitable for the cultivation of oysters. The State was looking about for new sources of revenue, and he estimated that we had 2,000 square miles of oyster grounds, and that the yield from them was 25,000,000 to 30,000,000 bushels per annum, and that a tax of two cents per bushel would yield a yearly net revenue of \$450,000. But for the approach of the war between the States, it is probable there would have been some decided legislation upon the subject. As it is, forty odd years have passed, and as the culmination of several experiments, we have just seen the beginning of a system which holds out the promise of certain and considerable revenue. The State may hope now for a steady increase in her revenue from oyster grounds, but long years must pass and the planting industry must improve vastly, if ever we can indulge the hope of seeing the sum reach anything like the amount predicted by Governor Wise.

The result of the Baylor survey was to show that we have about 200,000 acres of natural oyster beds, and about 400,000 acres of other ground suitable for the cultivation of oysters. Much of the latter, however, has muddy bottom which must be improved at more or less cost before it can become profitable planting ground. But even if one fourth of this territory can be utilized and rented, the State will receive from planting ground alone the sum of \$100,000, and with proper protection to the natural beds, and a just revenue from the same, this sum can be greatly augmented.

The great aim of the State should be to preserve the natural beds, whence comes our supply of seed oysters, and to encourage planting.

I refer you to the report of the State Board of Fisheries for much valuable information relating to the progress of their work. So far as I am in a position to judge, public sentiment is steadily crystalizing in support of the existing law, and I believe it will, ere long, be found to be a satisfactory revenue producer. As the planting industry prospers, more of our lands will be taken by planters. On the other hand this law gives to the people interested in oyster culture a security and tenure they have always longed for and have not had hitherto. A survey as suggested by the Board should be made by all means. I am of the opinion that any disturbance of the basis upon which the present law rests would be harmful in the highest degree to the State, as well as to those who are directly interested in the cultivation and marketing of oysters. Peace and security are what the oyster interest needs, and with

them will come, I am sure, a gradual but certain increase in the State's revenue. If Virginia can be fortunate enough to always keep the positions on such boards from being the rewards of partisan political labors, we will have the pleasure in the future, as at present, in receiving such gratifying returns.

FINANCES.

I beg to call attention to the very flattering financial condition of the State, as shown in the report of the Auditor of Public Accounts. The State will have to make provision after the first of January, 1902, to meet the one per cent. additional interest charges on its bonded debt. This will impose an increase burden upon the State of \$180,000 per annum. Though the report shows a handsome surplus in the treasury, it would be a risk, and perhaps irreparable mistake for the legislature to conclude that there is less need for the exercise of economy than there has been in past years. There have been unusual causes for increase in the revenue for the last two years, especially has the collection of arrearages on the delinquent land tax been a potent factor in producing this result. We must bear in mind that the State has collected in the two years much that should have been coming in for the last eight or ten years, and we should not be allured into extravagance, or make calculations which will not be justified by normal conditions. By all means we should await the next assessment of lands before we fix upon the treasury any permanent increase in expenditures further than is absolutely necessary.

If the assessed value of property remains as it is, some other source of revenue will have to be devised. It is hoped, however, the assessment will increase rather than diminish. I do not feel, however, that the lands of the Commonwealth could, in the continued low price of products, stand a greater burden than now exists. If it should become necessary that any existing property should have an increased assessment, I believe that the railroad and some other corporations of the State would gladly bear a reasonable one on their properties. They are getting more and more prosperous every year, and the amount of taxes paid by them in proportion to their income is nothing like that paid by other property holders in the State. They are interested more than all other interests in the maintenance of the credit of the State, and it was the general understanding, as implied in the report of the Debt Commission, and understood by at least some of the members of said Commission, if any increase in the taxes should be required in order to meet the additional interest charges, that the railroads would assume said increase. I believe it to be to the interest of every railroad in Virginia to see that no question ever arises in regard to the payment of our public debt, or the interest thereon, and that rather than see the interest forfeited for a single year,

that these great corporations could well afford to assume, and doubtless would assume, a much larger part, if not the whole interest fund itself; and I am not certain that even in such an emergency any very great inequality would be imposed on them by such a course. Our present system of taxation, as applied to railroads, is very much less burdensome than that of many other States. All the first-class lines in the State are assessed at \$15,000 per mile, while it is a known fact that hundreds of miles of these roads are mortgaged at two, three and four times this amount. It is not necessary for me to call attention to the fact that all properties are generally worth far more than the amount of mortgages that can be put upon them; and while there is provision for railroads and all corporations to pay under our laws an income tax, yet before paying this income tax they are allowed to deduct from their income interest on three or four times the amount of bonds their road is assessed for. I would recommend to this legislature that no corporation, in ascertaining its income, should be allowed to deduct interest on bonds greater than the amount of assessment for taxation against the property.

Let me try to make this plain. For instance, a corporation might have a net income of, say, \$175,000. One per cent. income tax on this amount would yield the State \$1,750. The directors could easily create a fictitious debt by issuing bonds in excess of what are actually negotiated, of, say, \$3,000,000, holding the bonds themselves, and pay interest on these bonds to themselves, which at six per cent. would be \$180,000, thus entirely cutting the State out of the amount of its income tax. No such opportunity should be left open for the practice of such frauds. I do not mean to say that we have in the State of Virginia corporations that would do such things, but in this day of stock and bond manipulations, it is well to provide against the possible accomplishment of such purposes. I yield to no man in my State in the desire to see our railroads and all other industries prosper. I am in favor of doing what is right between man and man, and as between man and corporations. I heartily favor encouraging public enterprises by showing them every possible encouragement under the law, and I believe the investment of new capital in our State is a great and inestimable benefit to all our people. It gives employment to what would otherwise be idle hands; it builds up waste places and stimulates trade and develops industries in every direction. Corporations, justly and equitably assessed and taxed, and held to the sole object of their creation, are one of the great forces in our modern civilization in bringing into the reach of all men the comforts of living. So long as they do not interfere in the political rights of the people, and do not seek to avoid their just share and proportion of the burdens of government, they are a blessing to mankind. In this connection I would recommend, in order to relieve the railroads of a burden, for which no one gets any cor-

responding benefit, the abolition of the office of State Railroad Commissioner; and if, in the wisdom of the legislature any such commission is desirable, that its object and purposes be clearly defined, and that its officers be paid out of the treasury of the State.

THE PUBLIC DEBT.

The General Assembly at its last session, for the third time opened the door for the funding of the old securities which had not been funded under the Act of February 14, 1882, or February 20, 1892. The report of the Second Auditor shows that under the provisions of this act, the holders of \$162,619.51 of old securities surrendered and had them funded and received in lieu thereof \$84,172.48 of new 2-3 bonds. This increases the century debt to \$18,002,083.67. As there is still outstanding a small remnant of bonds with tax receivable coupons attached, which may continue to annoy the collectors of the State's revenue and intercept a portion of her taxes, I would suggest that the opportunity be again given to fund these, under such conditions as in your judgment you may think equitable.

The interest on Virginia bonds has been paid promptly under Act February 14th, 1882, and February 20th, 1892, and the prospects that the State will be able to continue to do this, has largely restored the State's credit, and her bonds are now popular as an investment and have increased in market value. Our own people are already large holders of these bonds and will, I think, in a short time absorb the debt.

DELINQUENT LAND TAX.

There has been a wide spread discussion and dissatisfaction concerning the act of the last legislature providing for the sale of the delinquent lands of the State. The measure has been found to work hardship in some of its features, and in that respect should be amended; but at the same time suitable provision should be maintained for collecting the taxes due the State. And as under the harsh measure already passed, which we must admit was better than no law at all on the subject, the greatest hardships have already been passed through by the citizens of the State, and so far as that law is concerned the principal harm has already been done. It would now be unwise in the extreme, to enact legislation which would restore such an unsatisfactory condition as existed in this Commonwealth before the present law was passed. Means should always be provided to collect the taxes due the State, and any legislature which would leave a gap in their enactments whereby any class of our citizens, rich or poor, could evade the payment of their taxes would be derelict in its duty. It has been the practice of many parties to quietly acquiesce in the delinquent sale of their

lands, knowing that the State would hold them, and that only the usual rate of six per cent. interest would be charged at redemption, and in some instances only the first penalty of five per cent. would be added. This was equivalent to the State loaning said parties the amount of their assessments, whilst those who were annually paying their taxes were realizing the threatened danger of an increase of tax burdens to meet the demands of the State, occasioned by the failure of some to pay. This condition of affairs naturally forced the State to take necessary steps to collect the large sums of money that had been withheld from the Treasury. Hence the passage of the Act of February 11th, 1898.

The act was, as I have said, defective in some of its features, and if it is kept on the statute books should be amended. When the applicant for tax title is a non-resident of the county or corporation, where the application is filed, it would be in almost every case far cheaper to pay the penalty even when unjust, than to follow the applicant outside of the county or corporation and sue for damages done by him, thus putting redress practically beyond the reach of the injured land owner. It is therefore recommended that, in any legislation looking to the better collection of taxes, the county or corporation court wherein the land is situated, should be vested with jurisdiction, on motion, or by suit, to try and determine all questions arising under such legislation. The applicant for tax title being required as a prerequisite to the filing of his application for such a title, to designate by proper writing, to be recorded in said court, some person in said county or corporation upon whom proper legal notice of such motion or suit can at all times be made. I would also recommend that provision be made for service of notice of such application on the present owner of record where such owner is different from the person in whose name the land is assessed on the last land book. It is also recommended that in all such legislation, provision be made for county and municipal taxes, as well as State taxes.

It is a well-known fact that many purchasers of real estate, after years of occupancy and fancied security, have been compelled to pay delinquent taxes on their lands assessed in the name of former owners, which taxes, if known at the time of acquisition, would have been paid out of the purchase money.

Therefore, for the better protection of purchasers of land, and the better collection of such taxes, it is recommended that as a prerequisite to the recordation of all deeds and conveyances of land, other than wills and release deeds, there shall be endorsed on such conveyance a certificate from the proper officer, or officers, showing that all taxes, State, county, and municipal, in the name of the grantors upon the property conveyed prior to the beginning of the current tax year, have been paid. This, it is believed, will inaugurate a simple, inexpensive system, growing more effective year by year, and one which will eventually prove safe, satisfac-

tory and efficient, without hardship or material expense to the Commonwealth or land-owner, and will obviate the necessity for a large amount of tax legislation.

OUTSTANDING AND UNCOLLECTED ASSETS.

There are a number of unpaid claims and judgments in favor of the Commonwealth, which, owing to the bulk and volume of current business, it is impossible for the Attorney-General to give time, attention, and vigorous special effort necessary to realize anything therefrom.

It is believed that earnest effort, by special attorney, selected with a view to his special fitness for this work, would realize large amounts to the Commonwealth from these claims.

It is, therefore, recommended that the Governor, Auditor, Attorney-General and State Treasurer, be authorized and empowered to select for the performance of such special work an attorney. He to be paid from the amount realized from said sources his necessary expenses incurred in the investigation and prosecution thereof, and such percentage from the amounts realized as may be agreed upon by said Board; said Board to be authorized and empowered to investigate and sue for, adjust, compromise, and settle all obligations, claims, or demands due the State, upon such terms as they may deem for the best interest of the State. No suit to be instituted on such claims, however, unless first authorized and approved by the Attorney-General, and then ratified and approved by said Board.

THE PENITENTIARY.

The reports of the Superintendent and Board of Directors of the penitentiary show that that important institution has been carefully and successfully managed, and during the past two fiscal years has contributed to the public treasury the net sum of \$76,105.20, to-wit: \$30,086.64 for the year 1897-98, and \$46,108.56 for 1898-99. The expense of transporting prisoners to and from the penitentiary, amounting, under the new and economical system, to between \$5,000 and \$6,000 per annum, is not included in these figures. A larger showing would have been made for the first-named year, but for the imperative necessity of adding to the hospital buildings at the prison and at the farm, and enlarging the penitentiary work shops. During both years a large amount of permanent improvements have been made at the State farm. The net cash revenue remaining in the treasury to the credit of the penitentiary for the year just passed is the largest on record. While these figures are gratifying from a financial standpoint, I am glad to be able to say that, in my judgment, the prisoners are employed under a system which is the best that could be hoped for so

far as their well-being is concerned. Practically speaking, all the convicts are worked under the eye of State officers. Experience has shown that the health of convicts is better when they are employed than when they are idle, and better under the existing system than it was when prisoners were hired out upon public works.

The chief revenue of the institution comes from the hires received from the Jos. Davis Boot and Shoe Company. But the State farm has fulfilled the expectations indulged in when it was established. The crops there were short the past year on account of great freshets in the river which flooded our valuable low grounds at a critical period, and by reason of droughts later on. But, as a usual thing, the farm may be relied upon to support the prisoners sent there, a large portion of whom are more or less unfit for work. The farm is in a high state of cultivation and is very fertile. The State owns 943 acres of land on the north side of the James river, and for several years past also has been cultivating, on shares, the best part of Mr. Tucker's farm on the opposite side of the river. An opportunity now presents itself for the State to buy the Tucker farm, and, if in your judgment the price asked is reasonable, and the condition of the State's finances will permit, I would recommend that the purchase be made. We should not then be paying any greater rental than we are now paying, and would be justified in making improvements there which we could not think of making while we are tenants.

While I am clearly of the opinion that the State should own more land, I do not believe that the number of prisoners at the State farm can be increased materially in the near future. The contract with the Shoe Company, which recently has been extended to the year 1913, will require the penitentiary authorities to keep here in Richmond (where most of the profits of the institution are earned) about 1,250 men and women. It follows therefore, that with all the relief the farm can afford, the cells in the men's department at the penitentiary must be deplorably crowded. There is ample room in the women's ward, but the men are packed beyond the bounds of decency. Not only are these cells two few in number, but they are without sewer connections. What is more, the necessity of discipline requires that when a cell door is closed at night, it is not usually opened again till morning.

The crowded condition of the penitentiary has been the subject of numerous reports and inquiries, and there never has been any question at all as to the reasonableness of the demand for more cell-room. The moral and physical health of the prisoners—our duty to these wretched men and our duty to ourselves—alike urge that early steps be taken looking to the enlargement of the cell house. The appeal in this behalf is made by the officers of the penitentiary to you and me with all the more confidence because the institution for many years past has been paying a large net cash profit into the public treasury.

CONDITIONAL PARDONS.

The conditional pardon act passed at the last session of the legislature, has been hailed as a blessing by the prisoners, has been beneficial to the discipline of the prison, and is, I believe, approved by the public. So far a total of 102 conditional pardons have been granted, and we are yet to hear of the first one of the beneficiaries of the act violating the conditions imposed upon him when executive clemency was exercised. I ask your attention to what the Board of Directors has to say about amending the act so as to bring within the operations of the law many prisoners who are now excluded from its benefits.

The prevalence of small pox in certain cities and counties of Virginia during the past year, made it necessary that unusual precautions should be exercised.

I concur with the Board and Superintendent, and emphasize their suggestion as to the desirability of appointing a chaplain for the penitentiary. The ministers of the gospel in this city have done a great and good work in visiting the prisoners, and I hope they will continue their visits; but there should be one in daily attendance upon the prison, and for such services the State should be willing to pay a reasonable salary.

The health maintained in the penitentiary and at the farm is highly creditable to the surgeons and other officers. It is also a cause for congratulation that the institution is now provided with the amplest and best hospital facilities it has ever had. Yet the necessity remains to safeguard the penitentiary and farm against epidemic diseases, and for some months during the past year they were "quarantined" against the small pox, a difficult and responsible work, which was admirably done.

COLORED REFORMATORY.

Our colored citizens, through the zeal and intelligent effort of one of their number, Prof. John H. Smith, late Minister Resident and Consul General to Liberia, through a chartered association, known as "The Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia," are attempting a work similar to that of the Reform School of the Prison Association of Virginia, for white boys. They have succeeded in establishing the Virginia Manual School at Hanover, Va. A plantation of 1,806 acres of land has been purchased at a cost of \$14,432.00, by contributions of our own citizens and philanthropic persons from outside of the State, and this fund has been supplemented by a generous gift from Mr. Collis P. Huntington, of New York, of over \$11,000. Some needed repairs have been made to the buildings, and the school has been put in operation. I granted conditional pardon to seven boys under sixteen

years of age and sent them to the school; and I am glad to report that on a visit of inspection to the farm by the Board of Managers of the penitentiary and myself, we found them making most satisfactory progress. These boys have so far been clothed and fed by the institution.

Virginia has given large opportunities for common school and higher education for colored children and youths, and yet there is a distressing lack of moral advancement among some of them, as witnessed by the crowded condition of our penitentiary and jails; and the State should, for its own good and the welfare of this class, devise some plan for saving the large number of negro children and youths who are beyond the influence of the public schools or intelligent home restraints. It is to the interest of the State and of society that every effort be made for the moral, religious and educational advancement of all classes of citizens. This work of course is in a large measure experimental, but, in efficient hands and with proper and sufficient encouragement, it is well worthy of experiment, and it would be well for the legislature to make some arrangement with the institution to take incorrigible or criminal boys or girls on something like similar terms as those under which they are taken at the Laurel Reformatory.

It may be that the legislature will see its way clear to make a reasonable appropriation for necessary buildings.

STATE HOSPITALS.

The reports of the various State hospitals are before you, and I point you to the recommendation and suggestions therein contained. There will be necessity for some measure to be adopted to relieve the crowded condition of these institutions and to provide for other afflicted parties who are demanding admission and proper care. Various plans will no doubt be suggested, and this will receive at your hands due consideration and all the help possible under the State's financial condition.

The hospital at Marion was planned for a much larger number of patients than it can at present accommodate. There is abundant water supply and administrative accommodations, electric and heating power for fully double the present number. The building was planned for very large extensions, and one wing has now an addition almost completed, which, if finished, would accommodate possibly a sufficient number to relieve the congestion at that institution, and enable it to receive those who are at home or in jails, who, through their friends, are clamoring for admission. I recommend that the necessary appropriation to complete this building be made as soon as practicable.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARDS OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.

I have endeavored to distribute throughout the State the ap-

pointments on the boards of our public institutions as far as possible. I think in this way a more intimate and personal interest can be developed in all our great public institutions by all the people of our State, and, where these appointments have, by accident or otherwise, been largely centered in a few localities of the State, it would be all the better for the institutions themselves, and for the harmony and unity of purpose our citizens as a body; for other sections of the State to be favored to like extent, for a period, at least, in the future, even if a little extra expense should be incurred.

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

I am glad to announce that all of the educational institutions are doing their work well and are in a prosperous condition.

VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE.

An epidemic of typhoid fever unfortunately interrupted the work of the Virginia Military Institute, but it is now believed that the cause has been discovered and removed, and that a recurrence of such conditions will always be, in the future, impossible. This institution, clustered about as it is with such noble and heroic memories, has a great work to do in the scientific education of youths and in drilling them in the art and science of war. It is the only purely military institution maintained by any State of this Union; and, in our civil war and in the late Spanish-American war, furnished many courageous and noble and skilled officers for our American troops. It deserves your fostering care, and, receiving such, should perform a work equal in thoroughness to that of the National Academy at West Point.

THE VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE.

The Virginia Polytechnic Institute, located at Blacksburg, has the largest roll of students in its history, and, along with its military instruction, is turning out skilled mechanics, engineers, agriculturists and scholars. Its retiring and beautiful location commends it as a home for students, and its ample equipment under its able management is fast placing it in the forefront of America's technical schools. Its patronage is increasing so rapidly that new buildings will have to be added.

NORMAL SCHOOLS.

I would also take time to commend the excellent results attained by our Normal Schools at Farmville and Williamsburg, and the one for colored students at Petersburg. The teachers from these institutions are having a distinct influence in building up to a

higher degree of efficiency and thoroughness our whole public school system in Virginia.

I call attention to the recommendations of the Board of Visitors of the school at Farmville, asking for an appropriation for some much-needed repairs and improvements, and hope this will have favorable consideration.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA.

The University of Virginia, which is now recognized all over the world as the first real university organized on the American continent, is prospering more than at any time in its history. I desire to commend thus publicly the faithful, intelligent and successful management of its affairs by its board of Visitors, and, in view of the great work it is doing to the honor of our State as well as to the honor of our country itself, to ask the legislature to restore to it its annuity as well as make provision for the interest charges and sinking fund of its bonded debt. In the past two years, under the management of its present board, the number of its students has nearly doubled, and the enrollment will reach the present session fully seven hundred. In the beauty of its architecture and complete comfort and equipment of its buildings, together with the thoroughness of its course of instruction, it has not a superior and few equals in America, and is truly a National as well as a State university. It is justly styled the "capstone of our public school system," and realizes in its present life the ideals of the immortal Jefferson.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

I call special attention to the report of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

It is a subject of congratulation that this great work is making such satisfactory progress.

CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS' HOME.

The managers of the Soldiers' Home have been caring for an increased number of old and disabled Confederate soldiers, and the faithful and unselfish labors of the managers of this institution are most heartily commended.

The appropriation to this and the general appropriation for maimed and dependent soldiers should be continued.

REPAIRS TO THE CAPITOL.

I would call your attention to the fact that the historic capitol of this State, a building hallowed by the sacred memories of a young

nation's rise and fall, deserves consideration at your hands, looking to its repair and preservation. The roof is getting old and should be removed, and the old wood work which forms the same should be substituted with iron girders and rafters, which would make the building almost fire-proof. I would then recommend that the paintings which so long hung in the rotunda be brought back and placed in their old positions. They would then be just as safe and be in a more suitable and desirable position. It is also as necessary for the preservation of Houdon's priceless statue of Washington, and I would recommend that the room now used at the library building as a picture gallery be put to other purposes. I would also recommend that the lighting and heating of the library, the capitol, the governor's mansion, and the capitol grounds should all be done from a plant at the library building, and that boilers and dynamos of sufficient size and power be put in at that place for this purpose.

TRUSTS.

Chartered companies or corporations are the creatures of State legislatures. They get their right to exist from such bodies as your own, while at the same time the channels of their operations and the expenditure of their energies are marked out for them by your hands. You have the power, not only to create such organizations yourself, but also to regulate the way in which the corporations created by other State legislatures shall conduct their business in the State of Virginia.

This power should be most zealously guarded and most conservatively used. On the one hand, by your failure to authorize or create a chartered company, you may lose an opportunity to build up your State and bring into life and action her dormant wealth. On the other hand, by a too free and unquestioning use of the chartering power, you may give into the hands of unscrupulous men the opportunity to take away, in a remediless manner, some of the dearest rights of their fellow-men.

We are confronted with changes of most stupendous character that are going on in the world's industrial affairs. A struggle mighty in power and principle is forming between the citizen, with all his rights and privileges, on the one side, and collectivism or combinism, with all its threatened evils, on the other. What the result of this contest will be, or what is the practical solution of the problem, we cannot foresee; nor am I able to point out a remedy entirely satisfactory to myself.

I would suggest, as wholesome checks on the abuses and oppressions and threatening danger from great corporations and combines, certain unmistakable additions to the criminal code of our State, which I had the honor to recommend in my inaugural address delivered before the last legislature, and also that the officers of such corporations be held to a strict accountability for the faithful

discharge of their duties, and for honorable and zealous care of the interest entrusted to them.

I would suggest that you enact laws for the violation of which penalties be prescribed covering in clear terms those things which no corporation shall be permitted to do in the State of Virginia. Among these criminal acts I would place the use of money by contribution or otherwise in elections, or primaries; false returns of taxable values; the publishing of false financial statements by officers or directors; illegal combinations to oppress a weak competitor and drive him from a rivaling business. These strike me as being practical suggestions, and if they will not entirely solve the so-called trust question, they will, at least, put wholesome restraints upon them. Of one thing I feel sure, that unless some such safeguards are erected to check and regulate the power and influence of these grasping combines the people will soon become their manacled slaves. Should the private and political rights of the people be destroyed, their holdings confiscated, and all the wealth and power of the government concentrated in a few hands, and every office controlled at their dictation, then indeed, will the hope of our republic have expired.

BUYING VOTES.

The injury and evil arising from the assertion and publication of the charge of buying votes, and controlling elections in the State by the use of money and corporate influence is growing to an alarming extent. Especially is this the case in regard to county and municipal elections. It must be admitted that every effort of the law making power should be exerted to prevent such an evil. Virginia should set an example to her sister States in devising plans for purifying and keeping clean the elective system. The privilege of American citizenship is a high, and should be held as a sacred one, yet it is frequently charged that votes are bought and sold on election days as ordinary commodities are bought and sold in the common markets. Where is the safety to our institutions if this alleged evil is permitted to obtain. The severest penalty ought to be imposed, and the greatest precaution should be taken to prevent such crimes. The party who would offer the bribe should be punished, and in case of satisfactory proof, should be disqualified from voting or holding office, and when a corporation violates the law by furnishing money to debauch voters, they should be deprived of their charters, and their officers dealt with criminally. If such evils should obtain, it would soon be impossible for worthy men of moderate means to hope to successfully aspire to elective positions. It seems to me that a law that prevails in some States, requiring itemized statements of election expenses, should be exacted of all candidates for office in this State. Politics, which should be the noblest study of noble minds, can be

nothing more than an ignoble scramble between corruption funds, unless the illegal use of money in elections is punished by disgrace and imprisonment.

ELECTION RETURNS.

The accuracy and fairness of our election returns should be above suspicion. After the votes are deposited the citizens should have unshaken confidence in the truth and accuracy of the returns. Such returns should be "like Caesar's wife, above suspicion." It is largely in your power to accomplish this by the selection of the men you put in charge of the law, and of the conduct of the elections. I doubt very much if it is in the ingenuity of man to devise a plan for a secret ballot which, in the hands of unscrupulous men, may not be subject to abuse and deception. It largely rests in the individual character of the separate judges of elections, and any complaint or indictment against the accuracy and fairness of the election returns is a complaint against the integrity and honesty of the citizens in charge of the same. Here again you can provide for the taking of testimony and can grant by your enactments, ample opportunity for vindication or conviction.

Many unjust complaints on this score arise from political animosities. But it is only just to his good name, to give the judge who performs this thankless task an opportunity to unmistakably vindicate himself, and to stop the cry and clamor of the detractors of himself and his State. Hence a man laying a charge of this kind should be given full and ample opportunity to sustain it.

SENATORIAL PRIMARY.

While I am aware the question of electing United States Senators by direct vote of the people, is, primarily, a national one, and that the most satisfactory means of obtaining this would be through amendment to the Federal Constitution; still experience has shown, and the belief is firmly fixed in the minds of the people that there is but little if any hope for a change through congressional action, and relief, if it comes, must come through the State legislatures. That there are a large majority of the people of Virginia in favor of some mode whereby they can give expression of their choice on this important office as they do in the case of all other of their representatives, both State and national, is so manifest that I do not suppose it will be controverted, and as the election of a United States Senator is so intimately interwoven with our State affairs I feel that it is not improper for me to call the attention of the legislature to this question.

I do not feel that it is necessary, if, indeed, it would be proper for me to set forth at length why such a change is desired, and why it should be adopted.

It is certainly more in keeping with our republican institutions that the people choose directly their representatives. Then, too, if the election of a senator were removed from the legislature the representatives would be chosen more especially because of their known views on matters of State interest and importance, and not, as there is danger of, under our present system, because of their preference for certain candidates for the United States Senate, thus subordinating and preventing an expression of the people on matters of importance to their material interest which may come up for legislative action.

While I am glad to say that Virginia in the past has been free from some of the legislative scandals that have attended the election of United States Senators in recent years in some of our sister States, still we must realize that there is danger of such occurrences, since like causes produce like results.

The reasons are so manifold and convincing, and it is so evidently the desire of our people, that I earnestly recommend that the legislature pass a general primary law, whereby the people can vote directly on their choice for United States Senator, and have the same safeguards and assurances that they have in other general elections that their wishes will be properly recorded.

I feel sure that the wisdom of the legislature can devise a law that will give entire satisfaction to all of our people. No doubt the experience of our sister States that have resorted to this method will be of value in framing the bill.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF AGRICULTURE.

I invite especial attention to the able and comprehensive report of the Commissioner of Agriculture. Were it not that my space is necessarily limited, I would follow my natural inclination and dwell at length on many matters pertaining to the great farming interest of the State. I rejoice however, that our able and efficient Commissioner has so fully and elaborately treated the many subjects to which he has called attention. He has given most interesting and valuable suggestions, and I am sure his recommendations will have your most careful, and, I hope favorable consideration. Agriculture should be the noblest and most dignified of all callings. It is the grandest of all arts, and is in fact, the basis of all others. It has had its beginning in all countries with the first dawn of civilization. It employs a greater number of operatives than any other calling. It conduces more to national prosperity and the welfare of all classes. It gives energy to the mind and health to the body, and, above all things most promotes temperate and virtuous habits, and is conducive to knowledge and purity of moral character, which are the pillars of all good government, and the true support of national independence, and as a class has ever furnished to nations their truest patriots, and deserves at the

hands of all law-making powers the stimulating and strengthening influence of legitimate protection and healthful encouragement. It will be admitted that the farmers are not enjoying that measure of prosperity that is claimed for those in other lines of industry, and they especially deserve attention at this time. We have vast areas of land uncultivated, to which immigration should be invited, and, if the department is properly supported with funds, much can be done in this direction.

An appropriation sufficient to make this department effective should be made, either direct from the treasury, or if it is thought expedient, by a small tonnage tax on all fertilizers sold, as is suggested by the Commissioner. The standard of all fertilizers should be kept up to the published analysis, and means should be afforded the farmer to have fertilizers tested at all times. The manufacturers should not object to the payment of the necessary expense of keeping their goods to the required standard, as it protects them from competition against spurious and impure articles sold under false analysis as well as the farmer from purchasing such articles.

The recommendations of the Commissioner as to the necessity of a pure food law and the establishment of farmers institutes, merits your earnest consideration, and I would especially commend the recommendation to properly publish the great mineral resources of the State. We should by all means bring to the attention of the world our undeveloped mines of wealth. The State should not longer delay this important work of ordering a full and comprehensive geological survey of her mineral interests. No land under the sun with an equal amount of territory, can boast of greater advantages than Virginia, in soil, climate and minerals.

LABOR BUREAU.

The legislature at the last session passed an act creating a Bureau of Labor and Industrial Statistics. In addition to the National Bureau of Labor, some thirty States have now separate bureaus of this kind, and they are reported as doing valuable work.

This is comparatively a new field of investigation in Virginia, and the importance of securing the services of the best man obtainable for this position was fully realized. A wide scope of investigation was granted the Commissioner and excellent opportunities afforded to advance the interest of labor in all departments. Whilst at the same time, without wise management and judicious direction of the affairs of the Bureau, dissatisfaction might have resulted and the interest of labor injured rather than promoted.

After a thorough investigation as to the qualification of the several applicants for the position, I appointed Mr. A. P. Montague. I feel that the State is to be congratulated on his management of the affairs of the office. He has proven himself to be an able,

painstaking and efficient officer. He has given satisfaction to all classes of our people, and the department has been made popular with both employers and employees.

Your attention is respectfully invited to the able and full report he has made of our industrial conditions, and I hope favorable consideration may be given the changes and improvements he suggests in the law. Most of them strike me as being wholesome and necessary.

VIRGINIA AND MARYLAND BOUNDARY LINE.

On October 22d, 1897, my predecessor, Governor O'Ferrall, appointed Hon. B. T. Gunter, Jr., a commissioner on the part of Virginia to act in concert with a commissioner on the part of Maryland to replace the buoys along the boundary line between the two States in the Tangier and Pocomoke Sounds. The Governor of Maryland appointed Hon. Thos. S. Hodson, a commissioner to represent that State; and, at the request of both commissioners, the general government detailed Captain J. B. Baylor and Mr. W. C. Hodgkins from the United States Coast and Geodetic Survey Department, to locate these points. The report of Mr. Gunter and these engineers is on file in the executive office, showing this work has been satisfactorily done.

Maryland and Virginia were to bear their part equally in this undertaking, and I hope the legislature will appropriate a sum sufficient to compensate Mr. Gunter and Captain Baylor for their efficient work. Maryland paid Mr. Hodson five hundred dollars for his services, and Captain Hodgkins five dollars per day. Mr. Gunter only asks two hundred and fifty dollars, and I would suggest that the State make the same allowance to Captain Baylor that was paid Mr. Hodgkins by Maryland. Mr. Gunter was engaged twenty-five, and Captain Baylor for thirty-eight days.

I would renew a recommendation I had the honor to make to the last legislature, suggesting an appropriation of \$500.00 to plainly and permanently mark the boundary line at the points mentioned. The States have within the last twelve months had trouble and been put to expense almost sufficient to mark the line. On the night of February 23d, 1899, the Virginia police schooner, "Pocomoke," Captain Parks commanding, operating in Tangier Sound, captured two boats belonging to citizens of Maryland, "The Water Lily," and "The Minnie Estelle," and several of their respective crews. These boats were taken to Tangier Island and put in charge of guards, and the prisoners were confined in Accomac county jail. The Governor of Maryland contended that the boats were captured on the Maryland side of the line, and requested their return and the release of the prisoners. After correspondence between the Governor of Maryland, the Commonwealth's Attorney and Judge of Accomac county and myself, and

consultation with the Attorney-General, I became convinced that the Governor of Maryland was right in his contention, and released the boats, and the Commonwealth's Attorney of Accomac dismissed the proceedings against the prisoners.

During the correspondence with the Governor of Maryland, which I submit as an accompanying document with this message, it will be seen that it was my desire to have a permanent and satisfactory method established to punish depredators on our oyster grounds. Owing to the indistinctness of the line, and the distance each boat has to patrol, it has been impossible to prevent them from crossing and taking oysters as long as they were not seen, and, as soon as they were discovered, hurrying back across the line for safety, and, even if captured, contending either that they were on their side or that they did not know that they had crossed the line. This mode of procedure has been very provoking, and it is not to be wondered at that occasionally the pursuing boats would go beyond the State limits in their pursuit. I felt that to establish a system for the arrest of these parties after they had crossed the line would better serve the ends in view, and be much more economical than the expensive police system rendered necessary by the practices I have enumerated; hence I proposed to the Governor of Maryland that parties committing depredations and escaping to either State should be surrendered on requisition to the State making complaint. To this the Governor of Maryland gave his assent, and a thorough agreement was made between the Attorney-General of Maryland and the Attorney-General of this State.

If the oystermen of Maryland who were in the habit of coming to Virginia to fish and oyster could be made to feel that they were in danger of detection and surrender, they would of course not be so bold in their depredations. I regret to say that the plan did not work to full fruition, as the governor of Maryland failed to honor the first requisition I made upon him under this agreement; but a wholesome influence has been exerted on account of fear of being arrested. The annoyance has almost ceased and but little complaint has been heard since this trouble.

GENERAL GOOD ORDER.

The State has been signally free from mob violence and disorder. Two or three lynching cases occurred which could not have been prevented, though the local officers did all in their power. The Commonwealth's attorney of Patrick county, J. M. Hooker, Esq., deserves special commendation for having prosecuted to conviction several parties who were indicted for complicity in a lynching in that county; and it is hoped that this example will have a wholesome influence in deterring others from such lawless performances.

NO MILITARY CALLED OUT.

A few occasions have arisen when it was necessary to have the military in readiness to suppress threatened disorders, but I am glad to report that no troops have been ordered out for this purpose. I have invariably insisted on the civil authorities exercising control, and by firm and judicious action every emergency has been met.

YELLOW FEVER.

Yellow fever made its appearance among the inmates of the Soldiers Home at Hampton on the 31st of July. I was notified by Dr. S. W. Hobson, quarantine officer at Newport News, as soon as the disease was discovered. I at once called up the mayors of this and other contiguous cities, and notified the Secretary of the State Board of Health. Prompt steps were taken to prevent the spread of the disease, and by proper precautions it was kept confined to the locality in which it originated. In obedience to the request of the Mayor of Norfolk, I ordered the State Naval Reserves and the State Oyster Police Boats to assist that officer in preserving a strict quarantine around the city. The Mayor of Portsmouth summoned Grimes' Battery to assist him in helping to form a quarantine line to protect that city. The commandant of this battery wired to know if he should obey the summons, and was answered at once in the affirmative, but with caution to be sure that the summons was in order and from the proper authority, and was requested, in the interest of economy, to have his command relieved from duty as soon as possible. The troops were posted beyond the limits of the city in Norfolk county; and, owing to this fact and that the Sheriff of Norfolk county did not unite in the summons, and the further fact that the Governor did not give direct order to this command as was done in regard to those in Norfolk city, the Auditor declined to pay the claims for their services. The Attorney General sustained the contention of the Auditor, but the objections were only technical. The officers or men could not have refused to have obeyed the summons; at least, they could not have been expected to decide the question of technicalities even if they had been raised at the time. Quick action was necessary, and the true spirit of soldiery obedience was manifested, and arduous duties performed at great personal sacrifice, and inconvenience. If every precaution had not been taken, and if the dread disease had been allowed to spread, great loss of life and damage to industrial interest might have occurred, and the severest censure would have been heaped upon the authorities who failed to do their duty. I therefore hope the legislature will waive all questions of technicality and promptly order the payment of the claim.

THE STATE CONSTITUTION.

In conclusion, I would invite your attention to a subject which, in my judgment, is the most important one that can engage your attention at this session, and which deserves some action at your hands.

Virginians can surely lay claim to being makers of constitutions, and in these weighty matters, able to give the world a product of enduring strength and simplicity. The present Constitution, foisted upon a conquered people at the conclusion of our civil war by an alien government, is expensive and cumbersome. It should be amended and re-written. I will not take up your time by going into a detailed exposition of the present Constitution, or in extended arguments in behalf of the changes desired. We should meet the question courageously, like Virginians should, and meet it for all time. There are several plans open for your consideration—one is to submit a call for a constitutional convention to the people; another to amend the present Constitution through separate and successive legislative enactments. Or you might select a joint-committee from the members of the House and Senate, as I had the honor to recommend to the last legislature, or appoint such a committee from citizens at large, whose duty it shall be to study and formulate the changes in the present Constitution that would redound most to the greatest good to the greatest number, somewhat after the plan by which the Code of Virginia was revised. This committee could sit through the coming spring and summer, and before another legislature is elected and assembles here, the present one could be convened in special session and pass the recommendations of this committee. Then, if the same recommendations are passed by another legislature, and, by them, submitted to the people for their ratification, we would have a Constitution amended with all care and facility.

By adopting such a course as this, we could get rid of the many vexatious delays and escape the heavy expense incident to a constitutional convention and the dangers incident to the indifference of the individual voters when such a question is submitted to them. It would be a great and worthy achievement. While we have lived very well and prospered greatly under the present constitution, such a class of citizens as this State can boast of are able to succeed under any constitution, however grave its defects. We would deserve well, not only of our present generation, but succeeding generations, if we met this weighty question in a spirit of fairness, of economy, and intelligent adjustment of the various parts of civil government, and evolve a written instrument that will save hundreds of thousands of dollars to the tax-payers of the State, and give us a simple, direct, and successful plan of government.

LAMENTED DEAD.

During the year drawing to a close the State has been called upon to mourn the loss of an unusual number of her distinguished sons. Most prominent among these being Ex-Gov. P. W. McKinney, who died at his home in Farmville, Va., on the first day of March, 1899, and Ex-Governor F. W. M. Holladay, who died at Winchester, Va., on the twenty-ninth day of May, 1899.

They had each served the State with conspicuous fidelity and ability both in war and in peace. They had been the recipients of the highest honors within the gift of their people, and as governors of the State, have made indelible impression upon the pages of its history. They measured up to the fullest requirements as leaders in thought and action, and gave grace and dignity to every position they filled. Each bore upon his person honorable wounds, evidences of chivalric devotion to the land they loved so well. May their private virtues and characteristics of noble manhood inspire the young men of our State to emulate their examples of purity and patriotism.

Among other worthy and lamented sons of our Commonwealth who have passed away since the adjournment of the last legislature, are Judges William McLaughlin, Samuel F. Coleman, W. H. Holman, F. R. Farrar and the lamented and faithful clerk of the House of Delegates and Keeper of the Rolls of Virginia, Colonel John Bell Bigger.

These were honored officials of the State at the time of their death, and added to the shining roll of Virginia's illustrious sons. Each one is entitled to special mention and their memory will be lastingly enshrined in the hearts of all who knew them.

May your labors and conscientious endeavors to devise wise and just laws for the best interest of our State receive the benedictions of a kind Providence, which has ever watched over the affairs of our people.

J. HOGE TYLER.

On motion of Mr. KEEZELL,

Resolved, That the clerk of the Senate be, and he is hereby, directed to have prepared and distributed daily amongst the Senators, before the morning hour, printed copies of the calendar.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 1, A bill to provide for submitting to the qualified voters of the State the question of calling a constitutional convention, to be held for the purpose of revising and amending the present constitution; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 2, A bill to prevent corrupt practices or the use of money and other things of value in elections in Virginia, and prescribing penalties therefor; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 3, A bill to suspend for sixty days the operation of section 666 of the Code of 1887, as amended by an act approved February 11, 1898, in relation to delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor for the Commonwealth; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 4, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3057 of the Code, in relation to judicial circuits, and to abolish the 18th judicial circuit; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. CLAYTON, by leave, presented

No. 5, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3166 of the Code in relation to trial by jury; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. GOLD, by leave, presented

No. 6, A bill to authorize the town of Berryville, Virginia, to borrow twenty-five thousand dollars to construct water works for said town; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. GOLD, by leave, presented

No. 7, A bill to empower the town of Berryville, Virginia, to hold real estate for the purpose of constructing water works for said town, and to acquire and exercise jurisdiction over the same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

On motion of Mr. BARKSDALE, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1899.

Lieutenant Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. H. M. Hope.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the Clerk of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Delegates, transmitting to the General Assembly, as required of them, a cer-

tified copy of a proposed amendment to sections one and two of article seven; and section two of article ten, to the constitution of Virginia, together with certificates of publication by the publishers of the newspapers in which said proposed amendment has been published.

On motion of Mr. McILWAINE,

The communication was referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. LE CATO presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Commonwealth be hereby authorized to furnish members of the Senate with copies of the Code and subsequent Acts of the Assembly, to be receipted for, and returned at the end of the present session; which was agreed to.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 8, A bill abolishing the office of the Register of the Land office, and imposing the power and duties of the said office on the secretary of Commonwealth; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 9, A bill for relief of Battery "C" First Battalion Artillery Virginia Volunteers, Norfolk & Virginia Beach Railway, R. S. Spilman, C. R. Warren and W. E. Simons, for services rendered in aid of civil authorities of Virginia, in preventing spread of yellow fever; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

No. 10, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1258, code of Virginia of 1887, in relation to railroad companies enclosing their road-beds with fence and erecting cattle guards, approved February 9th, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. WICKHAM (by request) presented

No. 11, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 2 and 7, of an act approved July 11th, 1870, entitled an act for the incorporation of the town of Bowling Green in the county of Caroline; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town organization.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No. 12, A bill to seize, retain, destroy and attach forged or counterfeit obligations, bonds or coupons of the State, and to exonerate the officers and employees of the State in making such retention, destruction and attachment; which, on his motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion, was read the second time, and ordered to be

engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. WICKHAM, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 13, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to require city and street railway companies to use vestibuled fronts on all cars run on their lines during the months of December, January, February and March of each year, approved February first, 1898; which, on his motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion, was read the second time and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 14, A bill to incorporate the Great Falls and Old Dominion Railway Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 15, A bill to authorize the city of Winchester to increase its debt, and to issue bonds; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 16, A bill to amend the charter of the Old Dominion Building and Loan Association of Richmond, Va., granted by the Judge of the Circuit Court of Richmond Virginia, in vacation January 18, 1890, as amended by the order of the Circuit Court of the city of Richmond, entered August 1, 1890, and to change the name of said corporation and to grant it the powers of a Trust, Guarantee and Safe Deposit Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. MORRIS, by request, presented

No. 17, A bill for the protection of fish in Albemarle and Greene counties from the pollution of rivers and streams by steam saw-mills; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave, presented

No. 18, A bill to incorporate the Eta Chapter of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity of the University of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. STEELE, by leave, presented

No. 19, A bill to make it unlawful to manufacture, sell, or offer to sell, any article, compound or preparation for the purpose of being used, or which is intended to be used, in the preparation of food, in which article, compound or preparation there is any arsenic, calomel, bismuth, ammonia or alum, and to provide punishment therefor; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. FLOOD presented the following joint resolution:

Resolved, (the House of Delegates concurring), That the two Houses proceed, on Tuesday the 19th inst., at 1 o'clock P. M., to elect a Senator to the Congress of the United States, according to the provisions of the act of Congress in relation to the election of Senators to the Congress of the United States, for the term of six years, commencing on March 4, 1901, and that the rules for the government of the Senate and House of Delegates, when convened in joint assembly, for the election of Senators in Congress, shall be as follows:

1. At the hour fixed for the meeting of the joint Assembly, the Senators, accompanied by the PRESIDENT of the Senate, and the clerk of the Senate, shall proceed to the hall of the House of Delegates, and shall be received by the delegates standing. The SPEAKER shall vacate the chair, which shall be taken by the PRESIDENT of the Senate; appropriate seats shall be assigned to the Senators by the sergeant-at-arms of the House.

2. The PRESIDENT of the Senate shall be the PRESIDENT of the joint assembly; in case it shall be necessary for him to vacate the chair, his place shall be taken by the SPEAKER of the House, or in his absence, by such member of the joint assembly as the PRESIDENT may designate.

3. The clerk of the House shall be the clerk of the joint assembly, and shall be assisted by the clerk of the Senate. He shall enter the proceedings of the joint assembly in the journal of the House, and shall certify the same to the clerk of the Senate, who shall also enter them on the journal of the Senate.

4. The sergeant-at-arms, doorkeeper and pages of the House shall act as such for the joint assembly.

5. The rules of the House of Delegates, as far as applicable, shall be the rules of the joint assembly.

6. When the joint assembly first meets, as provided by the acts of Congress, the journal of the Senate and House of Delegates, for the preceding day shall be read. If, when the journals shall be read, it shall appear that the same person shall have received a majority of votes in each House for Senator, the result shall be declared by the PRESIDENT.

7. If no person shall have received a majority in each house, the joint assembly shall then proceed to vote *viva voce* for a senator, as provided in the act of Congress; and no motion for adjournment

shall be in order (on any day) until at least one vote shall have been taken.

8. In calling the roll of the joint assembly, the names of the senators shall be called first, in alphabetical order, and then the names of the delegates in like order, except that the name of the SPEAKER of the House shall be called last.

9. When the election shall be made as required, the joint assembly shall adjourn *sine die*, the result shall be certified by the PRESIDENT and clerk of the joint assembly to the Governor.

10. If no election shall be made, the joint assembly, when it adjourns, shall adjourn to meet at twelve o'clock meridian on the succeeding day.

11. If, when the joint assembly meets, it shall be ascertained that a majority of each house is not present, the joint assembly may take measures to secure the attendance of absentees, or adjourn until the succeeding day, as a majority of them present may determine.

12. When the joint assembly adjourns, the senators, accompanied by the PRESIDENT of the Senate and the clerk of the Senate, shall return to the chamber. The SPEAKER of the House shall resume the chair, and the business of the House shall be proceeded with in the same order as when it was interrupted by the entrance of the senators.

On motion of Mr. BARKSDALE, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER, 8, 1899.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. H. M. Hope.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, December 8, 1899.

The House of Delegates has passed House bill entitled an act to authorize the Board of Supervisors of Alexandria county to borrow money by the issue of bonds, to repair and improve and increase the public roads of said county, and to authorize the qualified voters of said county to vote on the question, No. 2.

In which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 2, House bill entitled an act to authorize the Board of Supervisors of Alexandria county to borrow money by the issue of bonds to repair and improve and increase the public roads of said county, and to authorize the qualified voters of said county to

vote on the question, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. JOSEPH WHITEHEAD, senator from the 24th district, came forward and the clerk administered to him the oath prescribed by law.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the Board of Education, relative to appointments of county superintendents of schools; which, on motion of Mr. FLOOD, was laid on the table.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 20, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3680 of Code, in regard to rape; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 21, A bill to amend section 3888 of Code, &c., attempts to commit offenses; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 22, A bill to amend and re-enact section 637 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 23, 1894, in relation to advertisement and sale of delinquent lands by treasurers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 23, A bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the sale of delinquent lands purchased by the Commonwealth; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 24, A bill to amend and re-enact section 609 of the Code of Virginia in relation to penalty on treasurers for false lists; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

On motion of Mr. BLAKEY, leave of absence was granted Mr. WATKINS for one day.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

The report of the State Board of Fisheries; which, on his motion, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed as Senate Document No. 2.

He subsequently offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Delegates concurring), That 2,000 copies of Senate Document No. 2, being the report of the Board of Fisheries to the General Assembly, be printed and bound with such binding as the report of other departments and boards.

Which was agreed to by the following vote :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—31.

NOES—None.

The Senate joint resolution providing for the election of United States Senator, and rules for the government of the joint Assembly, was then taken up and agreed to.

And on motion of Mr. FLOOD, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Subsequently Mr. HUBARD informed the Senate that the House of Delegates had agreed to the joint resolution.

No. 18, Senate bill to incorporate the Eta Chapter of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity of the University of Virginia, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. MORRIS (the rules being suspended therefor), was read a third time and passed with its title.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PARKS, as follows:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the General Assembly shall proceed at 12:30 o'clock P. M. to the election of Secretary of the Commonwealth, Auditor of Public Accounts, Second Auditor, Treasurer, Superintendent of the Penitentiary, Railroad Commissioner, and Superintendent of Public Printing; and that in the execution of the joint order for the election of State officers, nominations shall be made for the whole number in the order in which they appear in the resolution providing for their election, and that each house shall be notified of said nominations, when the roll shall be called for the election of one of the officers in the order named in the concurrent resolution providing for their election; and when the roll shall have been called for the whole number, the presiding officer of each house shall appoint a committee of two, which, together, shall constitute a joint committee to count the joint vote in each case, and report the results to their respective houses.

Which, on motion of Mr. LYLE, was agreed to, and he ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

The hour 12:30 having arrived, a message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. GALLEHER, who informed the Senate that that house was ready to proceed with the execution of the joint order of the day, which has for its object the election of certain State officers.

On motion of Mr. HARVEY,

Ordered, That he inform the House that the Senate was ready on its part to proceed.

For Secretary of the Commonwealth, Mr. MAYNARD nominated Joseph T. Lawless, of Portsmouth.

For Auditor of Public Accounts, Mr. DONOHUE nominated Morton Marye, of Alexandria city.

For Second Auditor, Mr. BLAKEY nominated Josiah Ryland, Jr., of King and Queen county.

For Treasurer, Mr. OPIE nominated A. W. Harman, Jr., of Rockbridge county.

For Superintendent of the Penitentiary, Mr. WHITEHEAD nominated George M. Helms, of Franklin county.

For Railroad Commissioner, Mr. MORRIS nominated J. C. Hill of Albemarle county.

For Superintendent of Public Printing, Mr. SANDS nominated J. H. O'Bannon, of Henrico county.

There being no additional nominations, ordered that Mr. DONOHUE inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PATTERSON, who informed the Senate that there were no additional nominations in that house.

The roll was called with the following result :

For Jos. T. Lawless, - - - 32

Senators who voted for JOSEPH T. LAWLESS are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—32.

For Morton Marye, - - - 30

Senators who voted for MORTON MARYE are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

For Josiah Ryland, Jr., - - - 32

Senators who voted for JOSIAH RYLAND, JR., are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead, and Wickham—32.

For A. W. Harman, Jr., - - - 31

Senators who voted for A. W. HARMAN, JR., are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—31.

For Geo. M. Helms, - - - 31

Senators who voted for **GEORGE M. HELMS** are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—31.

For J. C. Hill, - - - 30

Senators who voted for **J. C. HILL** are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—30.

For Jas. H. O'Bannon, - - - 31

Senators who voted for **JAS. H. O'BANNON** are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead, and Wickham—31.

The **PRESIDENT** appointed Messrs. **JEFFRIES** and **BRUCE** as a committee on the part of the Senate to meet a similar committee on the part of the House of Delegates and count the joint votes, who, through their chairman, reported—

For Secretary of the Commonwealth:

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	122
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	62
Of which Jos. T. Lawless received	-	-	122

Jos. T. Lawless having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Secretary of the Commonwealth for the legal term of that office.

For Auditor of Public Accounts:

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	-	116
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	-	59
Of which Morton Marye received	-	-	-	116

Morton Marye having received all of the votes cast, was declared duly elected Auditor of Public Accounts for the legal term of that office.

For Second Auditor;

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	-	118
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	-	60
Of which Josiah Ryland, Jr., received	-	-	-	118

Josiah Ryland, Jr., having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Second Auditor for the legal term of that office.

For Treasurer :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	116
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	59
Of which A. W. Harman, Jr., received	-	-	116

A. W. Harman, Jr., having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Treasurer for the legal term of that office.

For Superintendent of the Penitentiary :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	122
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	62
Of which Geo. M. Helms received	-	-	122

Geo. M. Helms having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Superintendent of the Penitentiary for the legal term of that office.

For Railroad Commissioner :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	113
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	57
Of which Jas. C. Hill received	-	-	113

Jas. C. Hill having received all the votes cast was declared duly elected Railroad Commissioner for the legal term of that office.

For Superintendent of Public Printing :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	119
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	60
Of which Jas. H. O'Bannon received	-	-	119

Jas. H. O'Bannon having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected Superintendent of Public Printing for the legal term of that office.

A message was received from the Governor by his secretary relative to certain State appointments, which was read.

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE,
RICHMOND, VA., December 8, 1899.

To the General Assembly :

Since the adjournment of the last General Assembly vacancies have occurred in the following judgeships in the State by deaths and resignations :

Third Judicial Circuit: Samuel F. Coleman, deceased. Filled by the appointment of George J. Hundley.

Thirteenth Judicial Circuit: William McLaughlin, deceased. Filled by the appointment of S. H. Letcher.

Seventeenth Judicial Circuit: W. T. Miller, resigned. Filled by the appointment of H. A. W. Skeen.

County Court of Amherst county: B. H. Campbell, resigned. Filled by the appointment of C. J. Campbell.

County Court of Amelia county: F. R. Farrar, deceased. Filled by the appointment of Stephen L. Farrar.

County Court of Fluvanna county: W. H. Holman, deceased. Filled by the appointment of James McMiller.

County Court of Wise: H. A. W. Skeen, resigned. Judge R. R. Kane, of the county court of Scott, designated to hold county court of Wise.

All of the appointments aforesaid were commissioned to serve, as required by the constitution, until thirty days after the meeting of the General Assembly.

J. HOGE TYLER, *Governor*.

On motion of Mr. WICKHAM, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1899.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. H. M. Hope.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

Communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, December 8, 1899.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bill entitled an act to seize, retain, destroy and attach forged or counterfeit obligations, bonds or coupons of the State, and to exonerate the officers and employees of the State in making such seizure, retention, destruction and attachment, No. 12.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to authorize the city of Winchester to increase its debt and to issue bonds, No. 3; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Pulaski county to increase the salary of the county judge, No. 4; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 17, 1898, entitled an act to convert the Lakeside Wheel Club from a joint stock company into a social corporation without stock; to extinguish the existing stock of said corporation; to declare those now entitled to membership to be members of said corporation; to continue and to validate the said corporation, its acts and contracts; to enlarge its powers

and authorizing it to change its name to Lakeside Country Club, No. 5; an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, No. 1; an act to change the name of the Petersburg Perpetual Building and Loan Company, and to amend and re-enact sections 1, 2, 4, 7 and 10, and to repeal sections 8 and 9 of an act approved May 10, 1887, entitled an act to incorporate the Petersburg Perpetual Building and Loan Company, and to add independent sections to the said act to confer additional powers upon the said company, No. 6.

In which they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 3, House bill to authorize the city of Winchester to increase its debt and to issue bonds; was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LUPTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr LUPTON moved to reconsider, which was rejected.

No. 4, House bill to authorize the Board of Supervisors of Pulaski county to increase the salary of the county Judge; was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TATE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 5, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 17, 1898, entitled an act to convert the Lakeside Wheel Club from a joint stock company into a social corporation without stock; to extinguish the existing stock of said corporation; to declare those now entitled to membership to be members of said corporation; to continue and to validate the said corporation, its acts and contracts; to enlarge its powers and authorizing it to change its name to Lakeside Country Club; was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MUNFORD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 1, House bill to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the

Code of Virginia in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 6, House bill to change the name of the Petersburg Perpetual Building and Loan Company, and to amend and re-enact sections 1, 2, 4, 7 and 10 and to repeal sections 8 and 9 of an act approved May 10, 1887, entitled an act to incorporate the Petersburg Perpetual Building and Loan Company, and to add independent sections to the said act to confer additional powers upon the said company, was taken up, twice read, and, on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, which was rejected.

On motion of Mr. FLOOD, the following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That the following senators be elected to constitute the standing committees of the Senate for the present session :

Privileges and Elections—Messrs. Flood, Fairfax, Maynard, Hartley, Foster, Jeffries, Steele, Whitehead, and Gold.

Courts of Justice—Messrs. McIlwaine, Flood, Eggleston, Blakey, Opie, Mann, Barksdale, Harvey, Cogbill, Watkins, Whitehead, Claytor, and Walker.

General Laws—Messrs. Sands, Flood, Barksdale, Massie, Steele, James, Lyle, Tyler, Lupton, Claytor, Bruce, McCorkle, and Shands.

Roads and Internal Navigation—Messrs. Maynard, Wickham, McIlwaine, St. Clair, Jeffries, Munford, Massie, Steele, Foster, Sands, Harvey, Mann, Watkins, Donohoe, and McCorkle.

Finance and Banks—Messrs. Fairfax, Wickham, Keezell, Morris, Sands, Jeffries, Munford, Eggleston, Hartley, James, Glass, Donohoe, and Lupton.

Public Institutions and Education—Messrs. Morris, Le Cato, Keezell, Eggleston, Barksdale, Blakey, Tate, Opie, Harvey, Watkins, Tyler, Lyle, McCorkle, Bruce, and Cogbill.

Rules—President of Senate, and Messrs. Wickham and Flood.

County, City and Town Organizations—Messrs. Opie, Maynard, Tate, Wallace, Glass, Lyle, Gold, Walker, Tyler, Shands, and Dinwiddie.

Agriculture, Mining and Manufacturing—Messrs. St. Clair, Fairfax, Le Cato, Wallace, Steele, Tate, James, McCorkle, Lupton, and Gold.

Fish and Game—Messrs. Le Cato, Morris, Keezell, St. Clair, Blakey, Hartley, Steele, Mann, Tyler, Walker, and Glass.

Enrolled Bills—Messrs. Massie, Wallace, Blakey, Tate, Lyle, Walker, Bruce, Shands, and Dinwiddie.

Library—Messrs. Jeffries, Flood, and Munford.

Printing—Messrs. Foster, James, and Donohoe.

To Examine Office of Clerk of Senate—Messrs. Keezell, Morris, and Claytor.

Executive Expenditures—Messrs. St. Clair, Wallace, and Cogbill.

To Examine Office of Auditor of Public Accounts—Messrs. Harvey, Whitehead, and Dinwiddie.

To Examine Second Auditor's Office—Messrs. Munford, Donohoe, and Glass.

To Examine Office of Register of Land Office—Messrs. Watkins, Le Cato, and Lyle.

To Examine Treasurer's Office—Messrs. Mann, Tyler, and Walker.

To Examine Bonds of Public Officers—Messrs. Barksdale, McIlwaine, and Opie.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 25, A bill to make telegraph companies common carriers in this Commonwealth; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 26, A bill to define and declare what shall constitute a telephone, telegraph, and express company, to provide a method for the determination of the value of that property within this State for the purpose of taxation, and to make it penal for the companies or their agents to refuse to furnish the information within their possession required by the terms of this act; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WALLACE, by leave, presented

No. 27, A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in the county of Stafford, approved February the 28, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor); was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. WALLACE moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed; which was rejected.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 28, A bill authorizing the auditor of public accounts to

issue a warrant to F. Sale and J. W. Austin for the payment of \$25, for services rendered by them in making an autopsy on the body of Edward Smith, deceased; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. FOSTER, by leave, presented

No. 29, A bill to authorize the Norfolk & Southern Railroad to purchase or consolidate with other railroads; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 30, A bill for the relief of W. J. B. Duncan, of the city of Alexandria, Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. KEEZELL, by request, presented

No. 31, A bill to protect Mongolian and English pheasants in Rockbridge county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read the second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

On motion of Mr. OPIE, the bill was amended, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), the bill as amended was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed.

And on his further motion, the title was amended to read as follows:

An act to protect Mongolian and English pheasants in Rockbridge and Augusta counties.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 32, A bill to allow J. W. Stottlemeyer, constable of Stonewall district, in the county of Frederick, a salary out of the county levy; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 33, A bill to authorize the Winchester Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church, in the United States, to receive a gift as the foundation of a scholarship; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. LYLE, by leave presented

No. 34, A bill to enable the Rector and Board of Visitors of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute to provide needed equipment for students; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. GOLD, by leave, presented

No. 35, A bill to provide for keeping in repair partition fences in the county of Clarke; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 36, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 3195 and 3196 of the code of Virginia, and to repeal section 3197 of same code in reference to disbarring attorneys-at-law; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

On motion of Mr. CLAYTOR, leave of absence was granted Mr. COGBILL for three days.

On motion of Mr. KEEZELL, leave of absence was granted Mr. McCORKLE for three days.

The following resolution was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. FEATHERSTONE, which was agreed to:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That in printing all bills hereafter introduced which are intended as amendments to the now existing laws, the words intended as the amendments shall be printed in italics; and to enable the committee to carry out the provisions of this resolution, the patron of the bill will indicate the words intended as amendments by underscoring them.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. NEWBERNE, who informed the Senate that the House had agreed to the following joint resolution:

Joint resolution in relation to urging the government authorities to name a battleship Virginia.

Resolved by the House of Delegates of Virginia (the Senate concurring), That our senators and representatives in the Congress of the United States be, and they are hereby, requested to urge the President and the Secretary of the Navy of the United States to name the next first-class battleship that is appropriated for, "Virginia," in honor of our beloved State, the mother of States and statesmen.

Mr. FLOOD offered the following substitute for said resolution:

Joint resolution in relation to naming a first-class battleship in honor of the State of Virginia.

Resolved by the House of Delegates (the Senate concurring), That our senators and representatives in the Congress of the United States be requested to urge upon the proper officials of the Federal Government the propriety of naming the next first-class battleship to be constructed "Virginia," in honor of this State, and to assure said officials that such a recognition would be exceedingly gratifying to the people of this Commonwealth.

Which was agreed to by the following vote:

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Gold, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIl-

waine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—28.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale and Massie—2.

Mr. OPIE from the committee on county, city and town organizations, reported without amendment,

No. 6, Senate bill to authorize the town of Berryville, Virginia, to borrow \$25,000 to construct water-works for said town.

The bill was subsequently taken up, on motion of Mr. GOLD, was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

He, from the same committee, reported,

No. 7, Senate bill to empower the town of Berryville, Virginia, to hold real estate for the purpose of constructing water-works for said town, and to acquire and exercise jurisdiction over the same.

The bill was subsequently taken up, on motion of Mr. GOLD, was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. MATTHEWS, informing the Senate that the House of Delegates had passed the following joint resolution, which was referred to the committee on printing:

Resolved by the House of Delegates (the Senate concurring), That there be printed 1,000 copies of the Governor's message to the assembly for the use of members of the two Houses.

Mr. OPIE presented a petition from the Confederate veterans, which was read and ordered to be laid on the table.

Mr. MANN presented the following joint resolution, which was read and laid on the table:

Resolved (the House of Delegates concurring), That five lawyers of the House and three lawyers from the Senate be appointed a committee, to which shall be referred all bills approved by standing committees in either body, and said committee shall carefully examine all of said bills and report upon their constitutionality before said bills are finally voted on in the House or Senate.

No. 15, Senate bill to authorize the city of Winchester to increase its debt and to issue bonds.

The bill was subsequently taken up, and, on motion of Mr. LUPTON, indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS the Senate resolved itself into executive session; and, having despatched the business before them, the doors were opened and the following resolution adopted in executive session (injunction of secrecy being removed), was ordered to be spread on the journal of the Senate, and a copy thereof be forwarded to the superintendent of public instruction:

Resolved, That the Senate advise and confirm the following nominations of superintendents of county schools, made by the board of education :

Albemarle—P. W. Nelson.

Mathews—Thos. B. Lane.

On motion of Mr. SANDS the Senate adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1899.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of Saturday read by the clerk.

Communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, December 9, 1899.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bill entitled an act to incorporate the Eta Chapter of the Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity of the University of Virginia, No. 18.

They have agreed to Senate resolution in reference to printing and binding 2,000 copies of the report of the Board of Fisheries.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to give S. P. Withers, executor and deputy of S. M. Withers, late treasurer of Washington county, and the other deputies of said S. M. Withers, late treasurer of Washington county, power to levy and distress to collect certain uncollected tax tickets in their hands, No. 7; and an act to regulate the sale of cider and other intoxicants in the village of Palmyra, Fluvanna county, Virginia, No. 9.

In which they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 7, House bill to give S. P. Withers, executor and deputy for S. M. Withers, late treasurer of Washington county, and the other deputies of said S. M. Withers, late treasurer of Washington county, power to levy and distress, to collect certain uncollected tax tickets in their hands; was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 9, House bill to regulate the sale of cider and other intoxicants in the village of Palmyra, Fluvanna county, Virginia; was taken up, twice read, and referred to committee on finance and banks.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 37, A bill to prohibit pools, trusts, monopolies and conspiracies to control business and prices of articles, to prevent the formation or operation of pools, trusts, monopolies and combinations of charters of corporations that violate the terms of this act, and to authorize the institution of prosecutions and suits therefor;

which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. STEELE, by leave, presented

No. 38, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to declare Clinch river and Clinch mountain a lawful fence in the county of Russell, approved March 3, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 39, A bill authorizing the courts of this Commonwealth to require no security, other than its own obligation, of the Lynchburg Trust and Savings Bank, when under the provisions of its charter it is appointed by any such court, executor, administrator, guardian, committee, receiver, trustee, or other fiduciary; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. GLASS moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, which was rejected.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 40, A bill to amend and re-enact section 664 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to redemption of delinquent lands purchased by the Commonwealth; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 41, A bill in relation to the effect of evidence in suits upon insurance policy as to immaterial allegations in the policy; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 42, A bill to amend and re-enact section 186 of the code of Virginia, in relation to the increase of salaries of judges of certain cities; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. OPIE, by leave, presented the following joint resolution:

Resolved (the House of Delegates concurring), That a joint committee, consisting of three from the Senate and five from the House, be appointed, whose duty it shall be to examine and inquire into the conduct, management and condition of the Confederate Soldiers' Home. For this purpose, said committee is hereby empowered to send for persons and papers, to employ a clerk if deemed by them necessary, and make report to their respective

bodies. Said committee shall also report the contract between the State and R. E. Lee Camp, under which the Home is operated.

And (the rules being suspended therefor) was agreed to by the following vote :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Foster, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, McCorkle, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, and Wickham—28.

NOES—None.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. OPIE in presenting the above resolution filed with it the following letter :

BOARD OF VISITORS, LEE CAMP SOLDIERS' HOME,
RICHMOND, VA., *December 11, 1899.*

Hon. J. N. OPIE, *Senate of Virginia.*

Dear Sir,—I have seen by the papers that an application has been made by four members of the Soldiers' Home to have the same investigated by a committee from the Legislature. I desire to state that the Board of Visitors will meet at its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, 8 P. M., Lee Camp Hall, rear room. We extend a cordial invitation to your committee to be present, as they can then see the business methods employed by the Board in the management of this institution. Every facility will be furnished your committee for a full and thorough investigation of the entire institution.

Very respectfully,

N. V. RANDOLPH, *President.*

The joint resolution in relation to appointment of a joint committee to pass upon the constitutionality of bills before both bodies of the General Assembly was, on motion of Mr. MANN, indefinitely postponed.

No. 5, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 17, 1898, entitled an act to convert the Lakeside Wheel Club from a joint-stock company into a social corporation without stock ; to extinguish the existing stock of said corporation ; to declare those now entitled to membership to be members of said corporation ; to continue and to validate the said corporation, its acts and contracts ; to enlarge its powers, and authorizing it to change its name to Lakeside Country Club, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 2, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Alexandria county to borrow money by the issue of bonds to repair and improve and increase the public roads of said county, and to

authorize the qualified voters of said county to vote on the question, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. DONOHUE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, the Senate resolved itself into executive session; and, having despatched the business before them, the doors were opened and the following resolution, adopted in executive session (the injunction of secrecy being removed), was ordered to be spread on the journal of the Senate, and a copy thereof be forwarded to the superintendent of public instruction:

Resolved, That the Senate advise and confirm the following nominations of superintendents of county schools, made by the board of education:

Bath county—L. E. Wood.

James City county—Peter T. Cowles.

Spotsylvania county—L. M. Smith.

On motion of Mr. FOSTER, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1899.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. J. B. Hawthorne.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, Monday, December 11, 1899.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to require city and street railway companies to use vestibuled fronts on all cars run on their lines during the months of December, January, February and March, of each year, approved February 1, 1898, No. 13; an act to authorize the town of Berryville, Virginia, to borrow twenty-five thousand dollars to construct water works for said town, No. 6; an act to empower the town of Berryville, Virginia, to hold real estate for the purpose of constructing water works for said town and to acquire and exercise jurisdiction over the same, No. 7; an act to repeal an act entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in the county of Stafford, approved February the twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, No. 27.

It has passed House bills entitled an act for the protection of game in Mecklenburg county, No. 8; an act to amend and re-enact sections 24 and 25 of an act approved January 28, 1898, entitled an act to provide for the opening and working of roads, and to provide for the erecting and maintaining of bridges in the county of

Culpeper, No. 10; an act to incorporate the Snickersville Telephone Company, No. 11.

In which they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

A communication from the Governor, by his Secretary, relative to certain State appointments was read, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS, laid on the table.

No. 8, House bill for the protection of game in Mecklenburg county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MANN (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 10, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 24 and 25 of an act approved January 28, 1898, entitled an act to provide for the opening and working of roads and to provide for the erecting and maintaining of bridges in the county of Culpeper, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 11, House bill to incorporate the Snickersville Telephone Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. KEEZELL, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment,

No. 7, House bill to give S. P. Withers, executor and deputy for S. M. Withers, late treasurer of Washington county, and the other deputies of said S. M. Withers, late treasurer of Washington county, the power of levy and distress to collect certain uncollected tax tickets in their hands.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment, No. 9, House bill to regulate the sale of cider and other intoxicants in the village of Palmyra, Fluvanna county, Virginia.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. OPIE, leave of absence was granted Mr. McCORKLE indefinitely.

The committee on public printing reported without amendment the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the House of Delegates (the Senate concurring), That there be printed 1,000 copies of the Governor's message to the Assembly for the use of members of the two Houses.

Mr. LE CATO moved to suspend the rules, and the resolution was adopted by the following vote:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Foeter, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead, and Wickham—31.

NOES—None.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 43, A bill for the relief of George W. Collins, of Henry county, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 44, A bill for the relief of Stephen Thomasson, of Henry county, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

No. 45, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to authorize the superintendent of the Virginia penitentiary to lease or purchase a farm and to erect thereon suitable buildings for the care and employment of convicts, approved January 22, 1894; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LYLE, by request, presented

No. 46, A bill to authorize the auditor of public accounts to credit James C. Haynes, late treasurer of Montgomery county, with a lost school warrant; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 47, A bill for the relief of Isaac P. Louthen, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 48, A bill for the relief of Sarah A. Tabor, widow of a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 49, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2465 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 4, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, in relation to contracts, deeds, &c., that are void as to creditors and purchasers unless recorded; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 50, A bill for the relief of Wm. H. Prease, an ex-Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 51, A bill for the relief of David M. Rife, an ex-Confederate

soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 52, a bill to define a lawful fence for the county of Campbell; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 53, A bill concerning the introduction of evidence in actions of ejectment, and other suits relating to lands, and to provide upon whom the burden of proof shall rest concerning certain matters on the trial of said cases; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 54, A bill to require the recordation of certain deeds and writings relied upon to establish color of title; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 55, A bill to enable commissioners in chancery to adjourn proceedings before them from their own county or corporation to any other county or corporation, and there continue such proceedings and take depositions and other evidence and compel attendance of witnesses; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 56, A bill authorizing the city of Manchester to construct, lay down, and operate its water works, water mains, and pipes in the county of Chesterfield in order to afford a water supply and fire protection for manufacturing plants and other establishments in the suburbs of said city, within one mile of the corporate limits thereof, and for that purpose to enter upon and use the necessary county roads and streets in said county, and to condemn rights of way or streets where necessary, under such ordinances and regulations as the city council may adopt and establish; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

A petition from the guards at the State Farm; which, on his motion, was referred to the committee on finance and banks.

On motion of Mr. TATE, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow morning at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER, 13, 1899.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Hawthorne.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, December 12, 1899.

The House of Delegates has agreed to a resolution in regard to the appointment of a committee to look into the conduct and condition of the Soldiers' Home.

It has passed Senate bills entitled an act to protect Mongolian and English pheasants in Rockbridge and Augusta counties, No. 31; an act authorizing the courts of the Commonwealth to require no security, other than its own obligation, of the Lynchburg Trust and Savings Bank, when under the provisions of its charter it is appointed by any such court, executor, administrator, guardian, committee, receiver, trustee, or other fiduciary, No. 39.

It has passed House bills entitled an act to change the name of Christiansville Magisterial District, in Mecklenburg county, to Chase City District, No. 12; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to legalize primary elections and conventions in the counties of Clarke and Warren, approved March 2, 1898, No. 13; an act to change the name of Christiansville voting precinct, in Mecklenburg county, to Chase City voting precinct, No. 14; an act to amend and re-enact section 2048 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act of the General Assembly, approved February 26, 1896, so as to omit the words "except the county of Alleghany," No. 15.

In which they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported with amendment,

No. 33, Senate bill to authorize the Winchester Presbytery, of the Presbyterian Church of the United States, to receive a gift as the foundation of a scholarship.

And he, from the same committee reported with amendments,

No. 11, House bill to incorporate the Snickersville Telephone Company.

No. 12, House bill to change the name of Christianville magisterial district in Mecklenburg county, to Chase City district, was taken up, twice read, and, on motion of Mr. EGGLESTON (the rules being suspended therefor) was placed on the calendar.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 13, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to legalize primary elections and conventions in the counties of

Clarke and Warren, approved March 2, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

No. 14, House bill to change the name of Christiansville voting precinct, in Mecklenburg county, to Chase City voting precinct, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. EGGLESTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 15, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2048 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act of the General Assembly, approved February 26, 1896, so as to omit the words "except the county of Alleghany," was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town organizations.

No. 8, House bill for the protection of game in Mecklenburg county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 10, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 24 and 25 of an act approved January 28, 1898, entitled an act to provide for the opening and working of roads and to provide for the erecting and maintaining of bridges in the county of Culpeper, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 56, Senate bill authorizing the city of Manchester to construct, lay down, and operate its water works, water mains, and pipes in the county of Chesterfield, in order to afford a water supply and fire protection for manufacturing plants and other establishments in the suburbs of said city within one mile of the corporate limits thereof, and for that purpose to enter upon and use the necessary county roads and streets in said county, and to condemn rights of way or streets where necessary, under such ordinances and regulations as the city council may adopt and establish, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That all bills and resolutions, when reported by committees of the Senate, shall lie over until the next day, in order that they may be placed upon the printed calendar before being acted upon by the Senate.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 57, A bill to amend the tax law, in relation to the taxation of public franchises as real property ; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. SHANDS, by leave, presented

No. 58, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3650 in chapter 178 of the code of Virginia of 1887, in regard to exemptions ; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 59, A bill to amend and re-enact the charter of the Danville Street Car Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. CLAYTON, by leave, presented

No. 60, A bill to amend and re-enact section 4017 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the presence of the accused on a trial for felony; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 61, A bill for the relief of Thomas F. Trent, a Confederate soldier; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 62, A bill for a relief fund for disabled firemen, and families of deceased firemen; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 63, A bill for the relief of Marcus W. Beal, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN (by request), by leave, presented

No. 64, To amend and re-enact chapter 20, of the acts of assembly of 1897-1898, to prescribe and regulate the procedure by which unpaid subscriptions to joint stock companies may be recovered by said companies, their creditors, receivers, trustees, assignees and any other persons; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 65, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the code, as amended by act approved February 17, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the code in reference to who may practice law in the State; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave, presented

No. 66, A bill to amend and re-enact section thirty-seven of an act entitled an act to repeal section 2 of an act approved January 28, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 22 of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the town of Charlottesville, approved March 28, 1871, and to amend and re-enact section 7 of said act as amended by an act approved January 31, 1888;

also to amend and re-enact sections 31, 32 and 35 of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the town of Charlottesville, approved March 28, 1871; and also to amend and re-enact section 37 of an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Charlottesville, approved March 3, 1892, approved February 9, 1894; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor) was placed on the calendar.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 67, A bill to amend and re-enact an act for the protection and advancement of agriculture by regulating the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers and fixing the penalties for violation of same, approved February 24, 1890, as amended by an act approved March 8, 1894, as amended by an act approved March 5, 1896, as amended by an act approved February 22, 1897; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on agriculture, manufacturing and mining.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 68, A bill to incorporate the South-Atlantic Life Insurance Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

A petition to establish a reformatory for negro youths; which was referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

On motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR, it was

Ordered, That when the Senate adjourns to-day, it adjourn to meet at 12 o'clock Friday next, Thursday being the one hundredth anniversary of the burial of George Washington.

On motion of Mr. KEZZELL, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock Friday.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1899.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of Wednesday read by the clerk.

Communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, December 13, 1899.

The House of Delegates has passed House bill entitled an act to incorporate Hampton Lodge, No. 366, B. P. O. Elks, of Hampton, Virginia, No. 17; an act to amend and re-enact section 6 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the United Land and Investment

Company, approved February 10, 1896, No. 18; an act to renew, re-enact, and extend the charter of the Longdale Iron Company for the period of thirty years from the expiration thereof, No. 19; an act to empower the trustees of the Bell Home to receive land for the use of the said Bell Home, in the county of Westmoreland, Virginia, No. 21; an act to authorize the school boards of Dinwiddie county to compensate its school trustees, No. 22; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 19, 1894, entitled an act to provide police for Newport Magisterial District, in the county of Warwick, No. 23; an act to incorporate the town of Scottsburg, in the county of Halifax, No. 24; and an act to regulate the hunting or capturing of partridges (or quail) in the county of Princess Anne, No. 25.

In which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 17, House bill to incorporate Hampton Lodge, No. 366, B. P. O. Elks, of Hampton, Virginia; was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 18, House bill to amend and re-enact section 6 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the United Land and Investment Company, approved February 10, 1896; was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 19, House bill to renew, re-enact, and extend the charter of the Longdale Iron Company for the period of thirty years from the expiration thereof; was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 21, House bill to empower the trustees of the Bell Home to receive land for the use of the said Bell Home, in the county of Westmoreland, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 22, House bill to authorize the school boards of Dinwiddie county to compensate its school trustees, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 23, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 19, 1894, entitled an act to provide police for Newport Magisterial District in the county of Warwick, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 24, House bill to incorporate the town of Scottsburg, in the county of Halifax, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 25, House bill to regulate the hunting or capturing of partridges (or quail) in the county of Princess Anne, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported without amendment,

No. 49, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2465 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved

March 4, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, in relation to contracts, deeds, &c., that are void as to creditors and purchasers unless recorded.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment,

No. 55, Senate bill to enable commissioners in chancery to adjourn proceedings before them from their own county or corporation to any other county or corporation, and there continue such proceedings and take depositions and other evidence and compel attendance of witnesses.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 69, A bill to authorize and empower the council of the town of Farmville to vacate and close so much of Spruce street as lies between High and Chambers streets; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 70, A bill for the relief of W. B. Megginson, a Confederate veteran; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 71, A bill to amend and re-enact section 16, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessments of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 72, A bill to authorize the Common Council of the city of Winchester, to borrow money and to issue bonds; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 73, A bill for the relief of Josiah Dodson, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 74, A bill for the relief of Middleton W. Coger, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 75, A bill for the relief of Wm. P. Jesse, an ex-Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 76, A bill for the relief of H. H. Bays, an ex-Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MAYNARD presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns this day it adjourn until Monday next at 12 o'clock in respect to the memory of Hon. CHARLES E. McCORKLE, late senator from Rockbridge.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. SHANDS offered the following joint resolution, which was read and laid on the table :

Be it resolved (the House of Delegates concurring), That the committee on public institutions and education shall select three of its members, who, in conjunction with five members of the House committee on asylums and prisons, to be selected by said committee, shall proceed to enquire and report as speedily as possible, by bill or otherwise, such measure as shall be necessary to relieve the crowded condition of the State penitentiary.

Mr. BARKSDALE presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That the clerk of the Senate be, and he is hereby, directed to have printed 250 copies of Senate bill No. 37.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

A petition from the Baptist General Association of Virginia; which was read, and referred to committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. FOSTER, by leave, presented

A petition from the Norfolk and Portsmouth Bar Association; which was read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 11, House bill to incorporate the Snickersville Telephone Company, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 56, Senate bill authorizing the city of Manchester to construct, lay down, and operate its water works, water mains, and pipes in the county of Chesterfield, in order to afford a water supply and fire protection for manufacturing plants and other establishments in the suburbs of said city within one mile of the corporate limits thereof, and for that purpose to enter upon and use the necessary county roads and streets in said county, and to condemn rights of way or streets where necessary, under such ordinances and regulations as the city council may adopt and establish, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 33, Senate bill to authorize the Winchester Presbytery, of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, to receive a gift as the foundation of a scholarship, was taken up, read the second time, the committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. LUPTON (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. LYLE, the Senate adjourned until Monday at twelve o'clock.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1899.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. E. N. Calisch.

Journal of Friday read by the clerk.

Communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, December 16, 1899.

The House of Delegates has agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to incorporate the Snickersville Telephone Company, No. 11.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to repeal section 14 of an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act for working and keeping in repair the roads of the county of Tazewell, approved February 24, 1888, and, further, to provide for permanent improvement of the roads in said county, approved February 29, 1892, as amended by an act approved February 12, 1894, No. 16; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Rappahannock county to appropriate one hundred and twenty-five (125.00) dollars out of the county funds of said county to assist in repairing Waterloo bridge, in Fauquier county, No. 30; an act to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act entitled an act appointing trustees for the town of York, in the county of York, approved March 3, 1892, No. 31; an act to quiet the title to that certain lot in the city of Winchester, known as the old catholic cemetery, and to provide for the removal of the remains interred therein and the sale of said lot, No. 33; and an act to amend and re-enact section 1 and section 7 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Potts Valley Railroad and Iron Company, approved February 11, 1892, No. 35.

In which they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 16, House bill to repeal section 14, of an act of the General

Assembly of Virginia, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act for working and keeping in repair the roads of the county of Tazewell, approved February 24, 1888, and further to provide for permanent improvement of the roads in said county, approved February 29, 1892, as amended by an act approved February 12, 1894, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 30, House bill to authorize the Board of Supervisors of Rappahannock county to appropriate one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) out of the county funds of said county, to assist in repairing Waterloo Bridge, in Fauquier county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FAIRFAX (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 31, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1, of an act entitled an act appointing trustees for the town of York, in the county of York, approved March 3, 1892, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 33, House bill to quiet the title to that certain lot in the city of Winchester, known as the old catholic cemetery, and to provide for the removal of the remains interred therein and the sale of said lot, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LURTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 35, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1 and section 7 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Potts Valley Railroad and Iron Company, approved February 11, 1892, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment,

No. 8, Senate bill abolishing the office of the register of the land office and imposing the powers and duties of the said office on the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendments,

No. 68, Senate bill to incorporate the South Atlantic Life Insurance Company.

The bill was subsequently taken up, and on motion of Mr. SANDS, read the second time, the committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 77, A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the appointment of special prosecuting attorneys in proper cases, ap-

proved March 3, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. FAIRFAX, by leave, presented

No. 78, A bill to amend the charter of the Leesburg and Point of Rocks Turnpike Company and to confirm its title to certain road-bed; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 79, A bill for the relief of George W. Koontz, treasurer of Shenandoah county, and to authorize the Auditor of Public Accounts to credit said Treasurer with lost school warrant; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 80, A bill to provide for the appointment of a tax commissioner; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 81, A bill to amend and re-enact chapter 387, of the acts of 1889-90, approved February 23, 1890, entitled an act to increase the salary of the Judge of Tazewell county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 82, A bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved December 21, 1891, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3044, of the Code of Virginia, in relation to counties and districts of county Judge; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. FOSTER, by leave, presented

No. 83, A bill to authorize the councils of the city of Norfolk to issue bonds, from time to time, not exceeding \$75,000 of principal, predicated upon the assessed valuation of the property in Brambleton ward; which, on his motion, was read the first,

ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. FOSTER, by leave, presented

No. 84, A bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 1, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act entitled an act to amend the charter and extend and define the boundaries of the city of Norfolk, approved April 6, 1887, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 5, 6 and 13 of an act to amend the charter and extend and define the boundaries of the city, approved April 6, 1887, approved March 3, 1890; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. DINWIDDIE, by leave, presented

No. 85, A bill to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to incorporate the Mutual Benefit Insurance Association of Virginia, so as to change the location of the principal office of the association; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 86, A bill to amend and re-enact section 12 of an act entitled an act to enlarge the powers of the Richmond Traction Company, approved January 12, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 87, A bill regulating the appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the city of Newport News, and providing for compensation of same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town organizations.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 88, A bill for the relief of Major W. E. Simons and other officers of the Virginia Volunteers, and to appropriate out of the military fund the sum of \$443.57 to pay Major W. E. Simons and said officers for service on a general court martial; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

On motion of Mr. TATE, leave of absence was granted Mr. WATKINS until to-morrow.

Mr. FLOOD presented the following resolution:

Whereas the late Senator CHAS. E. McCORKLE, of the 7th Sena-

torial district, died during a recess of the Senate, and the Lieutenant-Governor appointed two members of the Senate and authorized the sergeant-at-arms to accompany his remains to their last resting place without a resolution to that effect; therefore,

Be it resolved, That the said action of the Lieutenant-Governor is hereby ratified and affirmed, which was agreed to.

Mr. FLOOD presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the clerk of the Senate be, and he is hereby, directed to issue his certificate to the legal representative of CHAS. E. McCORKLE, late a Senator from the 7th district, for \$332, balance of salary for the present session of the General Assembly, which was agreed to.

Mr. FLOOD presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the chairman of the committee appointed to accompany the remains of Senator CHAS. E. McCORKLE, deceased, to their final resting place, be authorized to certify the several amounts of the burial expenses to the Auditor of Public Accounts, who is directed to issue his warrants on the Treasurer for said amounts, which was agreed to.

No. 21, House bill to empower the trustee of the Bell Home to receive land for the use of the said Bell Home, in the county of Westmoreland, Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 49, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2465 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 4, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, in relation to contracts, deeds, &c., that are void as to creditors and purchasers unless recorded, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 55, Senate bill to enable commissioners in chancery to adjourn proceedings before them from their own county or corporation to any other county or corporation and there continue such proceedings, and take depositions and other evidence and compel attendance of witnesses, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. HUBARD, who informed the Senate that the House of Delegates had passed the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the House of Delegates (the Senate concurring), That at half-past twelve o'clock to day both of said bodies shall proceed to elect a judge of the third judicial circuit and a judge of thirteenth judicial circuit.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, the Senate agreed to the following amendment to joint resolution:

"And all other judges appointed by the Executive by reason of vacancy caused by death, resignation, or removal," and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

The hour 12:30 having arrived, a message was received from the

House of Delegates by Mr. CARDWELL, who informed the Senate, that the House of Delegates had agreed to the amendment of the joint-resolution, and was ready on its part to proceed to the execution of the joint-order of the day, which has for its object the election of certain judges.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates, that the Senate was ready on its part to execute the joint-order of the day.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. EARLY, who informed the Senate that the only names before that House for judges, were those included in the list that hereafter follows:

George J. Hundley, judge of the third judicial circuit.

W. H. Bond, county judge of Wise county.

S. H. Letcher, judge of the thirteenth judicial circuit.

C. J. Campbell, county judge of Amherst county.

H. A. W. Skeen, judge of the seventeenth judicial circuit.

Stephen L. Farrar, county judge of Amelia county.

John P. Lee, county judge of Franklin county.

On motion of Mr. FLOOD he was ordered to inform the House that the only names before the Senate were those on said list.

The roll was called with the following result:

For George J. Hundley, - - - 24

Senators who voted for GEORGE J. HUNDLEY are—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Walker and Wallace—24.

For W. H. Bond, - - - 24

Senators who voted for W. H. BOND are—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Walker and Wallace—24.

For S. H. Letcher, - - - 24

Senators who voted for S. H. LETCHER are—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Walker and Wallace—24.

For C. J. Campbell, - - - 26

Senators who voted for C. J. CAMPBELL are—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker and Wallace—26.

For H. A. W. Skeen, - - - 26

Senators who voted for H. A. W. SKEEN are—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker and Wallace—26.

For Steven L. Farrar, - - - 26

Senators who voted for STEPHEN L. FARRAR are—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker and Wallace—26.

For John P. Lee, - - - 26

Senators who voted for JOHN P. LEE are—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker and Wallace—26.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. MASSIE and DINWIDDIE as a committee on the part of the Senate to meet a similar committee on the part of the House of Delegates and count the joint votes, who, through their chairman, reported—

For judge of the third judicial circuit :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	106
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	54
Of which George J. Hundley received	-	-	106

George J. Hundley, having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the third judicial circuit for the legal term of that office.

For county judge of Wise :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	106
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	54
Of which W. H. Bond received	-	-	106

W. H. Bond, having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected county judge of Wise county for the legal term of that office.

For judge of the thirteenth judicial circuit :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	106
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	54
Of which S. H. Letcher received	-	-	106

S. H. Letcher, having received all the votes cast, was declared

duly elected judge of the thirteenth judicial circuit for the legal term of that office.

For county judge of Amherst :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	108
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	55
Of which C. J. Campbell received	-	-	108

C. J. Campbell, having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected county judge of Amherst for the legal term of that office.

For judge of the seventeenth judicial circuit :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	108
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	55
Of which H. A. W. Skeen received	-	-	108

H. A. W. Skeen, having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the seventeenth judicial circuit for the legal term of that office.

For county judge of Amelia :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	108
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	55
Of which Stephen L. Farrar received	-	-	108

Stephen L. Farrar, having received all of the votes cast, was declared duly elected county judge of Amelia for the legal term of that office.

For county judge of Franklin :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	108
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	55
Of which John P. Lee received	-	-	108

John P. Lee, having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected county judge of Franklin for the legal term of that office.

On motion of Mr. McILWAINE, the Senate resolved itself into executive session, and having despatched the business before them, the doors were opened and the following resolution, adopted in executive session (injunction of secrecy being removed), was ordered to be spread upon the journal of the Senate, and a copy thereof forwarded to the Governor :

Resolved, That the Senate advise and confirm the following appointments as members of the board of directors and board of visitors of the following institutions, viz :

Members of the Southwestern State Hospital Board, to serve for three years, each from April 15, 1899:

H. P. Copenhagen, of Smyth county.

H. C. T. Richmond, of Lee county.

G. T. Porterfield, of Giles county.

Members of the Eastern State Hospital Board to serve for three years each, from April 15, 1899:

W. H. Tayler, of Norfolk city.

George E. Smith, of Lunenburg county.

James F. Hubbard, of York county.

J. R. Segar, Jr., of Middlesex county, was appointed to fill the unexpired term of L. S. Foster, resigned. Term expires April 15, 1901.

Members of the Western State Hospital Board, to serve three years, from April 15, 1899:

James L. Tredway, of Pittsylvania county.

A. F. Withrow, of Bath county.

A. A. McAllister, of Alleghany county.

John W. Todd, of Staunton, was appointed to succeed F. B. Berkley, deceased. Term expires April 15, 1900.

Members of the Central State Hospital Board, to serve for three years, from April 15, 1899:

R. B. Cooke, of Norfolk city.

George E. Gary, of Manchester.

T. B. Wright, of Isle of Wight county.

John J. Cocke, of Prince George county, was appointed to succeed C. Shirley Harrison, deceased. Term expires April 15, 1901.

Members of the Board of Visitors of the Virginia Military Institute to serve for three years from January 1st, 1899:

W. T. Shields, Lexington.

E. W. Saunders, Franklin county.

Lloyd T. Smith, Northumberland county.

R. R. Kane, of Scott county, was appointed to succeed W. F. Rhea, resigned. Term expires January 1, 1901.

M. Q. Holt, of Surry county, was appointed a member of the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia to succeed W. B. McIlwaine, of Petersburg, resigned. Term expires February 28, 1900.

B. F. Hughes, of Staunton, and H. M. Magruder, of Albemarle, were appointed members of the Board of Visitors for the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind, to serve for three years from March 6, 1899.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. DUPUY, informing the Senate that that House had passed the following joint-resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring), That when the Legislature adjourns on Thursday, December 21, it will adjourn to meet on January 3, 1900, 12 o'clock M.

Mr. FOSTER offered the following amendment to joint-resolution :
Strike out the words Thursday, December 21, and insert Friday, December 22.

Which was rejected.

Mr. McILWAINE offered the following amendment to joint-resolution :

Strike out the words Thursday, December 21, and insert Wednesday, December 20, 1899.

Which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 16 ; noes, 8.
Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Dinwiddie, Fairfax, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Lyle, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Walker and Wallace—16.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, James, Massie and Tyler—8.

On motion of Mr. EGGLESTON the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1899.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. E. N. Calisch.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, Monday, December 18, 1899.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the appointment of special prosecuting attorneys in proper cases, approved March 3, 1898, No. 77.

They have disagreed to the amendment of the Senate to House joint resolution in reference to adjournment for the holidays.

They have passed House bills entitled an act relating to the signing, heretofore or hereafter, of certain obligations by corporations as surety, through duly authorized agents or attorneys in fact, without the use of corporate seal, and declaring the force and effect of the same, No. 27 ; an act giving courts of law jurisdiction over suits on lost past-due bonds, notes, or other written evidence of debt, and enabling said courts to require the party in whose favor the judgment may be rendered to execute proper indemnifying bond before execution is issued, No. 29 ; an act to legalize primary elections and conventions in the counties of Culpeper,

Rockbridge and Botetourt, No. 32; an act for the relief of the personal representatives and deputies of James C. Haynes, late treasurer of Montgomery county, No. 20; an act to authorize the council of the city of Norfolk to issue bonds from time to time, not exceeding a total of \$75,000 of principal, predicated upon the assessed valuation of the property of Brambleton Ward, No. 47; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Fredericksburg and Adjacent National Battlefields Memorial Park Association of Virginia, approved February 12, 1898, and to add to the incorporators, No. 52; an act for the relief of P. D. Divers, treasurer of Franklin, directing and empowering the Auditor of Public Accounts to issue in his behalf a duplicate of a lost warrant, No. 55; an act to incorporate the New River, Holston and Western Railroad, No. 37; an act to amend and re-enact sections 21, 26 and 40 of an act entitled an act to provide for working and keeping in order the public roads of Greene and Madison, approved March 5, 1894, No. 38; and an act amending and re-enacting sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10 of an act entitled an act to protect and advance agriculture by regulating the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers, and the guarantee and condition upon which they are to be sold, and fixing the penalties incurred for violation of the same, approved February 24, 1890, as amended by an act approved March 8, 1894, as amended by an act approved March 5, 1896, as amended by an act approved December 22, 1897, No. 39.

In which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 27, House bill relating to the signing, heretofore or hereafter, of certain obligations by corporations as surety, through duly authorized agents or attorneys in fact without the use of corporate seal, and declaring the force and effect of the same, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 29, House bill giving courts of law jurisdiction over suits on lost past-due bonds, notes, or other written evidences of debt, and enabling said courts to require the party in whose favor the judgment may be rendered to execute proper indemnifying bond before execution is issued, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 32, House bill to legalize primary elections and conventions in the county of Culpeper, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar,

No. 20, House bill for the relief of the personal representatives and deputies of James C. Haynes, late treasurer of Montgomery county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was

read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 35 ; noes, none.

The senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—31.

NOES—None.

Mr. LYLE moved to reconsider the vote ; which was rejected,

No. 47, House bill to authorize the councils of the city of Norfolk to issue bonds from time to time, not exceeding a total of \$75,000 of principal, predicated upon the assessed valuation of the property of Brambleton ward, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 52, House bill to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Fredericksburg and Adjacent National Battlefield Memorial Park Association of Virginia, approved February 12, 1898, and to add to the incorporators thereof, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALLACE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALLACE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 55, House bill for the relief of P. D. Divers, treasurer of the county of Franklin, directing and empowering the auditor of public accounts to issue in his behalf, a duplicate of a lost warrant, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DINWIDDIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote.

The senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—34.

NOES—None.

Mr. DINWIDDIE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 37, House bill to incorporate the New River, Holston and Western railroad company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 38, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 21, 26, and 40, of an act entitled an act to provide for working and keeping in

order the public roads of Greene and Madison, approved March 5, 1894, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 39, House bill amending and re-enacting sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10, of an act entitled an act to protect and advance agriculture by regulating the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers, and the guarantee and condition upon which they are to be sold, and fixing the penalties incurred for violation of the same, approved February 24, 1890, as amended by an act approved March 8, 1894, as amended by an act approved March 5, 1896, as amended by an act approved December 22, 1897, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing.

The House joint-resolution in relation to adjournment for the holidays, was then taken up.

Mr. WICKHAM moved that the Senate recede from its amendment thereto.

Mr. FLOOD moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 89, A bill for the relief of Dr. W. M. Janney; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 90, A bill in relation to judgment, &c., in Appomattox county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 91, A bill for the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company and the Portsmouth, Pigs Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, under the name of the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. OPIE, by leave, presented

No. 92, A bill to allow defendants in actions at law to make offer of judgment; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. ST. CLAIR (by request) by leave, presented

No. 93, A bill to amend and re-enact section 637 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 23, 1894, in relation to clerks to deliver to treasurers copy of lists of delinquent real estate, &c.; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. ST. CLAIR (by request) by leave, presented

No. 94, A bill to amend and re-enact section six hundred and thirty-five of the Code of Virginia, in relation to lands, if not entered, to be forfeited to the State; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, (by request) by leave, presented

No. 95, A bill to amend and re-enact section 675 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 29, 1888, in relation to price of waste land; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 96, A bill to validate sales of certain infants' land; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment,

No. 28, Senate bill authorizing the Auditor of Public Accounts to issue a warrant to F. Sale and J. W. Austin for the payment of \$25 for services rendered by them in making an autopsy on the body of Edward Smith, deceased.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment,

No. 42, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 186 of the code of Virginia in relation to the increase of salaries of judges of certain cities.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment,

No. 46, Senate bill to authorize the Auditor of Public Accounts to credit James C. Haynes, late treasurer of Montgomery county, with a lost school warrant.

The bill was subsequently taken up (the rules being suspended therefor), read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 35; noes, none.

The senators who voted are—

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—35.

NOES—None.

Mr. LYLE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

And he, from the same committee, reported with an amendment,

No. 3, Senate bill to suspend for sixty days the operation of section 666 of the code of 1887, as amended by an act approved February 11, 1898, in relation to delinquent lands purchased in the name of the Auditor of the Commonwealth.

The bill was subsequently taken up, and, on motion of Mr. MORRIS, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read a third time and passed; and on his further motion, the title was amended by striking out the word sixty and inserting in lieu thereof the word forty.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and town, reported without amendment,

No. 11, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 2 and 7 of an act approved July 11, 1870, entitled an act for the incorporation of the town of Bowling Green, in the county of Caroline.

The bill was subsequently taken up, and, on motion of Mr. WICKHAM, read the second time, amended, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion, was read the third time, and passed with its title.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment,

No. 38, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to declare Clinch river and Clinch mountain a lawful fence in the county of Russell, approved March 3, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment,

No. 52, Senate bill to define a lawful fence for the county of Campbell.

The bill was subsequently taken up, and, on motion of Mr. GLASS (the rules being suspended therefor), read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment,

No. 31, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act entitled an act appointing trustees for the town of York, in the county of York, approved March 3, 1892.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment,

No. 23, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 19, 1894, entitled an act to provide police for Newport magisterial district, in the county of Warwick.

The bill was subsequently taken up, and, on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. TYLER moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, from the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing, reported with a substitute,

No. 67, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act for the protection and advancement of agriculture by regulating the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers and fixing the penalties for violation of same, approved February 24, 1890, as amended by an act approved March 8, 1894, as amended by an act approved March 5, 1896, as amended by an act approved December 22, 1897.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. FEATHERSTONE, who informed the Senate that the House had passed the following, No. 72, joint-resolution:

Whereas, The committee on agriculture and mining have unanimously reported to this body in favor of a bill so amending the law which now requires a brand tax to be paid on fertilizers sold in this State, or to require a tonage tax of fifteen cents per ton,

Now therefore, be it resolved by the House of Delegates (the Senate concurring), that the operations of the existing law requiring a brand tax on fertilizers be, and the same is, hereby suspended, pending the consideration by the General Assembly of the said amended bill.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected, and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 30, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Rapahannock county to appropriate one hundred and twenty-five dollars (\$125) out of the county funds of said county to assist in repairing Waterloo bridge, in Fauquier county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 49, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2465 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 4, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, in relation to contracts, deeds, &c., that are void as to creditors and purchasers unless recorded, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 55, Senate bill to enable commissioners in chancery to adjourn proceedings before them from their own county or corporation to any other county or corporation and there continue such proceedings, and take depositions and other evidence and compel attendance of witnesses, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 87, Senate bill regulating the appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the city of Newport News, and providing for compensation of same, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on its further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. TYLER moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 66, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 37, of an act entitled "an act to repeal section 2, of an act approved January 28, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 22, of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the town of Charlottesville, approved March 28, 1871, and to amend and re-enact section 7, of said act as amended by an act approved January 31, 1888; also to amend and re-enact sections 31, 32 and 35, of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the town of Charlottesville, approved March 28, 1871; and also to amend and re-enact section 37, of an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the

city of Charlottesville, approved March 3, 1892," approved February 9, 1894, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion, was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 8, Senate bill abolishing the office of the register of the land office and imposing the power and duties of the said office on the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. OPIE, was passed by, by the following vote—ayes, 18 ; noes, 17.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, McIlwaine, Opie, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker and Wallace—18.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Flood, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Lyle, Massie, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands and Wickham—17.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. JENNINGS, who informed the Senate that the House had passed House bill

No. 43, To suspend for thirty days the operation of section 666 of the code of 1887, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 11th, 1898, in relation to delinquent lands purchased in the name of the Auditor of the Commonwealth, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

The Senate joint-resolution appointing commission to inquire into the crowded condition of the penitentiary, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS, was referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

The hour of one o'clock having arrived, and being the time fixed for the execution of the joint order, which has for its object the election of a senator to represent this State in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years, commencing March 4, 1901.

Ordered, That Mr. MORRIS inform the House of Delegates that the Senate was ready on its part to proceed to the execution of the joint order.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. DUKE, who informed the Senate that that house was ready on its part to proceed with the joint order ; whereupon,

Mr. FLOOD nominated Thos. S. Martin, of the county of Albemarle, for senator to represent this State in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years, commencing on March 4, 1901.

After the nomination of Thos. S. Martin had been seconded by Mr. SHANDS,

Ordered, That Mr. FLOOD inform the House of Delegates that the only name before the Senate was Thos. S. Martin.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. DUKE, who informed the Senate that no additional nominations had been made in that house.

The roll was called with the following result :

For Thos. S. Martin, ... 35

Senators who voted for THOS. S. MARTIN are—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—35.

On motion of Mr. FLOOD the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1899.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. E. N. Calisch.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, December 19, 1899.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to incorporate the South Atlantic Life Insurance Company, No. 68; an act to amend the charter of the Leesburg and Point of Rocks Turnpike Company and to confirm its title to certain road beds, No. 78; and an act to amend and re-enact section 9, of an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to incorporate the Mutual Benefit Insurance Association of Virginia, so as to change the location of the principal office of the Association, No. 85.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3271 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to demurrers, No. 26; an act making the injury to or destruction of fences or cattle stops along the line of railroads a misdemeanor, and prescribing the penalty therefor, No. 36; an act regulating the appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the city of Newport News, and providing for compensation of same, No. 45; an act regulating appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the county of Warwick, and providing compensation for same, No. 46; an act to empower the board of supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight to build iron bridges in the said county, No. 48; an act to empower the board of supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight to sell and convey and make title to the Poor House Farm, in said county, No. 49; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an

act in relation to the records of Alexandria county, approved March 3, 1879, No. 50; and an act authorizing the council of the town of Hampton to issue bonds to the amount of \$30,000, No. 53.

In which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

In House of Delegates, December 20, 1899.

The hour of 12 o'clock M. having arrived, which being the hour according to an act of Congress entitled "An act to regulate the times and manner of holding elections for senators in Congress," for the meeting of members of the two houses in joint assembly for the election of a senator in Congress, the Senate of Virginia entered the hall of the House of Delegates preceded by the PRESIDENT and clerk of the Senate; whereupon the PRESIDENT of the Senate, in accordance with a joint rule, assumed the chair, and called the joint assembly to order.

The roll of the Senate was called, and the following senators responded.

There were thirty-eight senators present:

Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—38.

The roll of the House of Delegates was called, and the following delegates responded:

There were eighty-three delegates present.

Messrs. Akers, Anderson, Ayers, Baker, Barclay, Baugh, Blakemore, Bland, Boaz, Bowles, Buntin, Cardwell, Churchman, Clement, Cowan, Davis, Dodson, Donohoe, Duke, Dupuy, Early, Edwards, Ellis, Embrey, Epps, Ewell, Featherston, Fitzpatrick, Fleet, Galleher, Garnett, Gent, Goad, Gravely, Gregory, Honaker, Horsley, Hume, Hunley, Ivey, Jennings, Felix M. Jones, Thomas N. Jones, E. C. Jordan, King, Lacy, Lambert, Leech, Lyons, Matthews, McAllister, McClung, McConnell, Mose, Murrell, Musgrave, Newhouse, Nottingham, Owen, Parks, Patterson, Patten, Pettit, Pilcher, Pollock, Powell, Priddy, Robinson, Ryan, Shelton, Stickley, Stoner, Todd, Toney, Tuck, Ware, Waring, Warthen, Wellford, J. M. Whitehead, John Whitehead, Williams and Mr. Speaker—83.

The Journal of the Senate of yesterday was read, from which it appeared that Thomas S. Martin had received thirty-five votes (being a majority of all the votes cast), for senator in the Congress of the United States from the State of Virginia for the term of six years, commencing on March 4, 1901.

The Journal of the House of Delegates was read, from which it appeared that Thomas S. Martin had received eighty-three votes (being a majority of all votes cast), for senator in the Congress of the United States for the term of six years, commencing on March 4, 1901.

The PRESIDENT of the joint assembly then declared that Thomas S. Martin, having received a majority of all the votes

cast in each house, was duly elected a senator in the Congress of the United States from the State of Virginia for the term of six years, commencing on March 4, 1901.

Mr. MORRIS moved that a committee of six be appointed—three on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House—to inform Thomas S. Martin of his election as senator to the Congress of the United States; which was agreed to.

The PRESIDENT of the joint assembly appointed Messrs. MORRIS, FLOOD and WALKER the committee on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. EMBREY, DUKE and PRIDDY the committee on the part of the House.

On motion of Mr. JAMES, the joint assembly adjourned *sine die*.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Journal in relation to the proceedings of the joint assembly held Wednesday, December 20, 1899, for the election of a senator in Congress.

WILLIAM HENRY MANN,

*Clerk of the House of Delegates, and as such
Clerk of the Joint Assembly.*

No. 26, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3271 of the Code of Virginia in relation to demurrer, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 36, House bill making the injury to or destruction of fences or cattle stops along the line of railroads a misdemeanor, and prescribing the penalty therefor, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 45, House bill regulating the appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the city of Newport News, and providing for compensation for same, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and, on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 46, House bill regulating appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the county of Warwick, and providing compensation for same, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and, on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 48, House bill to empower the Board of Supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight to build iron bridges in the said county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SHANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 49, House bill to empower the Board of Supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight to sell and convey and make title to the poor-house farm in said county, was taken up, twice read, and

on motion of Mr. SHANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 50, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act in relation to the the records of Alexandria county, approved March 3, 1879, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 53, House bill authorizing the council of the town of Hampton to borrow money and issue bonds therefor to the amount of \$30,000, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. SANDS from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment,

No. 30, Senate bill for the relief of W. J. B. Duncan, of the city of Alexandria.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. DONOHUE was ordered to communicate to the House.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments,

No. 16, Senate bill to amend the charter of the Old Dominion Building and Loan Association of Richmond, Virginia, granted by the judge of the circuit court of Richmond, Virginia, in vacation, January 18, 1890, approved by the order of the circuit court of the city of Richmond, entered August 1, 1890, and to change the name of the said corporation, and to grant it the power of a trust, guarantee and safe deposit company.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment.

No. 19, House bill to renew, re-enact and extend the charter of the Longdale Iron Company, for the period of thirty years from the expiration thereof.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment,

No. 17, House bill to incorporate Hampton Lodge, No. 366, B. P. O. Elks, Hampton, Va.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment,

No. 18, House bill to amend and re-enact section 6 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the United Land and Investment Company, approved February 10, 1896.

Mr. WICKHAM, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported without amendment,

No. 35, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1 and section 7 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Potts Valley Railroad and Iron Company, approved February 11, 1892.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That the auditor of public accounts is hereby requested to furnish this body with a statement showing the indebtedness to the State, if any, of each of the city and county treasurers of the Commonwealth, on the first day of August, 1899; also what indebtedness, if any, existed from said treasurers to the Commonwealth on the first day of December, 1899, which was agreed to.

House joint resolution in relation to adjournment for the holidays Shall the Senate adhere to or recede from its amendment thereto? was taken up.

Mr. FLOOD moved to pass by, which was agreed to.

No. 31, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act entitled an act appointing trustees for the town of York, in the county of York, approved March 3, 1892, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 32, House bill to legalize primary elections and conventions in the counties of Culpeper, Rockbridge and Botetourt, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. FLOOD moved to amend by striking out Botetourt, which was agreed to.

Mr. OPIE moved to pass by, which was agreed.

No. 8, Senate bill abolishing the office of the register of the land office and imposing the power and duties of the said office on the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 38, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to declare Clinch river and Clinch mountain a lawful fence in the county of Russell, approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 97, A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3191 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 2, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3191 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the licensing of persons to practice law in this State; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 98, A bill to incorporate the Jamestown, Williamsburg and Yorktown Railroad Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 67, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act for the protection and advancement of agriculture by regulating the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers and fixing the penalties for violation

of same, approved February 24, 1890, as amended by an act approved March 8, 1894, as amended by an act approved March 5, 1896, as amended by an act approved February 22, 1897, was taken up.

Mr. MUNFORD moved to recommit the bill to the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing, and after being freely discussed,

Mr. KEEZELL proposed the following resolution :

Resolved, That Senate bill No. 67, be recommitted to the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing, with instructions to report at 12 o'clock M. to-morrow; and that said bill be made a special order of the Senate for 12:30 P. M., and that its consideration be proceeded with until a vote upon engrossment is taken, and shall be further considered if the Senate shall so decide.

Which was agreed to, by the following vote—ayes, 19; noes, 16:

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster, Gold, Jeffries, Keezell, Lyle, Maynard, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—19.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, James, Lupton, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, St. Clair, Tate and Whitehead—16.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. JENNINGS, who informed the Senate that that House had passed No. 3 Senate bill with amendments.

On motion of Mr. WICKHAM, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1899.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. E. N. Calisch.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

Communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, December 20, 1899.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to authorize the auditor of public accounts to credit James C. Haynes, late treasurer of Montgomery county, with a lost warrant, No. 46; an act to amend and re-enact section 37 of an act entitled "An act to repeal section 2 of an act approved January 28, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 22 of an act entitled

an act to provide a new charter for the town of Charlottesville, approved March 28, 1871, and to amend and re-enact section 7 of said act as amended by an act approved January 31, 1888; also to amend and re-enact sections 31, 32, and 35 of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the town of Charlottesville, approved March 28, 1871; and also to amend and re-enact section 37 of an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Charlottesville, approved March 3, 1892," approved February 9, 1894, No. 66; an act to amend and re-enact sections 2 and 7 of an act approved July 11, 1870, entitled an act for the incorporation of the town of Bowling Green, in the county of Caroline, No. 11; an act regulating the appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the city of Newport News and providing for compensation of same, No. 87.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3351 of the Code of Virginia, and to provide how party having adverse interest or an adverse witness may be examined, No. 28; an act defining the duty and prescribing the liability of those operating railroads, as to overhead bridges and structures, No. 40; an act to amend and re-enact section 3214 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the county or corporation in which actions at law or suits in equity may be brought, No. 41; an act to amend and re-enact the fourth sub-division of section 834, Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, No. 58; an act to authorize and empower the Governor of Virginia to issue another grant to Winfield Liggett on land office treasury warrant No. 30,496, in lieu of the grant rescinded by this act, No. 59; an act to allow Joseph W. Taylor to erect a wharf or pier on Watts bay, in Accomac county, No. 60; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Electrical Railway and Development Company, approved February 7, 1898, designated as chapter 212 of the acts of 1897-'98, No. 61; an act to authorize the voters of the several districts of Lee county to vote upon the fence law, No. 63; an act to permit George F. Parramore to build a bridge across King's creek, in the county of Northampton, No. 64; an act to prevent the obstruction of streams and to promote the drainage of dams in the county of Bedford, No. 65; an act to authorize the city council of Fredericksburg to issue its coupon or registered bonds for the purpose of obtaining an electric plant for lighting the city, No. 66; an act to authorize the council of the city of Fredericksburg to apportion the expense of street and other local improvements between the city treasury and the real estate benefited thereby, No. 67; an act for the issue of \$50,000.00 of bonds for the establishment and equipment of proper school buildings for the city of Newport News, No. 69, and an act to incorporate Newport News Lodge, B. P. O. E., No. 315, No. 70.

In which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 28, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3351 of the Code of Virginia, and to provide how party having adverse interest or an adverse witness may be examined, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 40, House bill defining the duty and prescribing the liability of those operating railroads as to overhead bridges and structures, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 41, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3214, Code of Virginia, in relation to the county or corporation in which actions at law or suits in equity may be brought, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 58, House bill to amend and re-enact the fourth subdivision of section 834, Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MAYNARD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and, on his further motion, amended and passed with its title, and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 59, House bill to authorize and empower the Governor of Virginia to issue another grant to Winfield Liggett on land office treasury warrant No. 30,496, in lieu of the grant rescinded by this act, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 60, House bill to allow Joseph W. Taylor to erect a wharf or pier on Watts Bay in Accomac county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BLAKEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 61, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Electrical Railway and Development Company, approved February 7, 1898, designated as chapter 512 of the Acts of 1897-'98, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 63, House bill to authorize the voters of the several districts of Lee county to vote upon the fence law, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 64, House bill to permit George F. Parramore to build a bridge across King's creek, in the county of Northampton, was taken up, twice read, and, on motion of Mr. BLAKEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 65, House bill to prevent the obstruction of streams and promote the drainage of dams in the county of Bedford, was taken

up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. CLAYTOR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and, on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 66, House bill to authorize the city council of Fredericksburg to issue its coupon or registered bonds for the purpose of obtaining an electric plant for lighting the city, was taken up, twice read, and, on motion of Mr. WALLACE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and, on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALLACE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 67, House bill to authorize the council of the city of Fredericksburg to apportion the expense of street and other local improvements, between the city treasury and the real estate benefited thereby, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALLACE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALLACE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 69, House bill for the issue of \$50,000 of bonds for the establishment and equipment of proper school buildings in the city of Newport News, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 70, House bill to incorporate Newport News Lodge, B. P. O. E., No. 315, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. TYLER moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 99. A bill to protect homes against agents; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. TYLER (by request), by leave, presented

No. 100, A bill to amend and re-enact sections one and two of the charter of the city of Newport News, and to change the boundary lines of the said city; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

No. 101, A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to define the power and limitations of building and loan associations; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 102, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to provide for working and keeping in repair the public

roads and bridges of the county of Goochland, approved January 6, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and towns.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

No. 103, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Chase City, in the county of Mecklenburg, approved April 1, 1873, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1886, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 31, 1890; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 104, A bill for the relief of Mrs. W. W. Smith, of Danville, Va., the widow of a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

House joint resolution in relation to adjournment for the holidays, shall the Senate adhere to or recede from its amendment thereto? was taken up.

Mr. FLOOD moved to pass by, which was agreed to.

No. 32, House bill to legalize primary elections and conventions in the county of Culpeper, was taken up, read the third time; Mr. CLAYTOR moved to amend by inserting Bedford, which was agreed to.

Mr. OPIE moved to amend by inserting Augusta, which was agreed to.

Mr. SHANDS moved to pass by, which was agreed to.

No. 17, House bill to incorporate Hampton Lodge, No. 366, B. P. O. Elks, of Hampton, Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 18, House bill to amend and re-enact section 6 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the United Land and Investment Company, approved February 10, 1896, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 35, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1 and section 7 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Potts Valley Railroad and Iron Company, approved February 11, 1892, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 3, Senate bill to suspend for sixty days the operation of section 666 of the Code of 1887, as amended by an act approved February 11, 1898, in relation to delinquent lands purchased in the name of the Auditor for the Commonwealth, was taken up, House amendments agreed to, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. GLASS was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PILCHER, who informed the Senate that the House had passed the following joint-resolution:

Whereas, it is stated in the report of the superintendent of the penitentiary that the contract between the State of Virginia and the Davis Shoe Company has been renewed and extended to the year 1913 :

Therefore, Be it resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, that a committee of five be appointed, three by the SPEAKER of the House and two by the PRESIDENT of the Senate, to investigate and inquire into the contract of the State of Virginia with the Davis Shoe Company and to ascertain and report whether the said contract is by authority of law, and to further inquire whether a greater sum could not be obtained for the State for said contract than is now paid, and to investigate and report upon such other matters pertaining to the conduct of said company with relation to said contract, as the committee may deem proper, and the said committee shall have full power and authority to summon such persons and require the production of such papers as they may desire.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. SHANDS was ordered to inform the House of Delegates.

PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. LYLE and LUPTON committee on the part of the Senate.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, from the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing, reported with amendments,

No. 39, House bill amending and re-enacting sections 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 10, of an act entitled an act to protect and advance agriculture by regulating the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers, and the guarantee and condition upon which they are to be sold, and fixing the penalties incurred for violation of the same, approved February 24, 1890, as amended by an act approved March 8, 1894, as amended by an act approved March 5, 1896, as amended by an act approved December 22, 1897.

The bill was subsequently taken up, being the special order of the day, and the committee amendments agreed to.

Several amendments were offered to the bill and agreed to.

Mr. BARKSDALE presented the following amendment :

In section 6 insert after the word district that the salary of each Inspector shall not exceed \$75 per month for the time employed and expenses while so employed.

Which was agreed to by the following vote :

AYES.—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Foster, Gold, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Massie, Maynard, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—22.

NOES.—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Flood, Glass, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands and Whitehead—13.

The bill as amended was then passed with its title, by the following vote—ayes, 28 ; noes, 5 :

AYES—Messrs Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, James, Keezell, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Whitehead and Wickham—28.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Fairfax, Lyle, Sands and Wallace—5

Mr. FLOOD moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

On motion of Mr. FLOOD the privilege of the floor was extended to the Honorable Elliott F. Danforth, a distinguished citizen of New York.

On motion of Mr. BLAKEY, the Senate took a recess until 4 o'clock P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

THURSDAY, December 21, 1899.

A message from the House of Delegates, by Mr. TONEY, who informed the Senate that that house had passed

No. 77, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1271 of the Code of 1887, in relation to the securities to be deposited with the treasurer by foreign and home insurance companies.

The bill was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. COGBILL (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. COGBILL moved to reconsider the vote; which was rejected.

No. 8, Senate bill abolishing the office of the register of the land office and imposing the power and duties of the said office on the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was taken up.

Mr. BLAKEY moved to pass by the consideration of the bill; which was rejected by the following vote:

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Gold, Mann, Opie, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, and Walker—14.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Eggleston, Flood, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Whitehead, and Wickham—17.

Mr. MANN offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the further consideration of Senate bill No. 8 be postponed, and that it be made the special order for January 4, 1900, at 1 o'clock.

Which was rejected by the following vote:

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Gold, Lyle, Mann, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate and Walker—15.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Eggleston, Flood, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Whitehead and Wickham—17.

A message received from the House of Delegates, by Mr. FEATHERSTON, who informed the Senate that that House had agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bill No. 39.

Mr. LYLE rose to a question of personal privilege and stated his reasons for voting against Senate bill No. 39.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to take up the House joint resolution in reference to adjournment for the holidays, which was agreed to; and the Senate receded from its amendment thereto, and agreed to the resolution.

On motion of Mr. BARKSDALE, the pending question was then ordered upon

No. 8, Senate bill abolishing the office of the Register of the Land Office, and imposing the power and duties of the said office on the Secretary of the Commonwealth, by the following vote—
ayes, 19; noes, 1:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, Whitehead and Wickham—19.

NOES—Mr. Donohoe.

Mr. OPIE moved to adjourn, which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 5; noes, 18:

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster and Walker—5.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Eggleston, Flood, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, Whitehead and Wickham—18.

The vote was then taken upon the passage of the bill and resulted—ayes, 18; noes, 0. No quorum voting.

On motion of Mr. FLOOD, the vote was recorded as follows:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands and Wickham—18.

NOES—None.

Mr. WHITEHEAD stated that he was paired with Mr. HARVEY, who if present would have voted No, and he would vote Aye.

Mr. MUNFORD demanded a call of the Senate, which was ordered.

The roll of the Senate was called, the following Senators being present and answering to their names:

Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, Whitehead and Wickham—19.

On motion of Mr. McILWAINE, S. M. Donald, doorkeeper, and Wm. Wilson, librarian, were appointed as assistants to the sergeant-at-arms of the Senate, with power to arrest, etc. On his further motion, George C. Jordan was appointed as doorkeeper.

The sergeant-at-arms and his assistants were instructed by the PRESIDENT to arrest the absent members and bring them before the bar of the Senate.

The sergeant-at-arms soon thereafter appeared with Senators BLAKEY, BRUCE, GLASS, MANN and TATE.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD, further proceedings against them were dismissed.

The roll was then called upon Senate bill No. 8, and it was passed with its title—ayes, 19; noes, 5.

On motion of Mr. JEFFRIES, the vote was recorded as follows :

AYES—Messrs Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands and Wickham—19.

NOES.—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Glass, Mann and Tate—5.

Mr. JEFFRIES moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

A message was received from the Governor by his secretary, which was read and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. McILWAINE, the Senate resolved itself into executive session, and, having dispatched the business before them, the doors were opened, and the following resolution, adopted in executive session (the injunction of secrecy being removed), was ordered to be spread upon the journal of the Senate and a copy thereof forwarded to the Governor :

Resolved, That the Senate advise and confirm the following appointments, as members of the board of visitors to the Virginia Military Institute, for the term of three years, beginning January 1, 1900 :

Henry Fairfax, of Loudoun county.

W. H. Edmonds, of Halifax county.

Philip F. Brown, of Botetourt county.

On motion of Mr. JAMES, the Senate adjourned until January 3, 1900, at 12 o'clock M.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of December 21, 1899, read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, December 21, 1899.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to enable commissioners in chancery to adjourn proceedings before them from their own county or corporation to any other county or corporation, and there continue such proceedings and take depositions and other evidence, and compel attendance of witnesses, No. 55; and an act for the relief of W. J. B. Duncan, of the city of Alexandria, Virginia, No. 30.

They have agreed to the amendment of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact the fourth sub-division of section 834, Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, No. 58.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair, opening and discontinuing the public roads in the county of Brunswick, and for building and keeping in repair the bridges in the said county, No. 62; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to regulate killing, capturing, hunting, buying, selling, or offering for sale, of partridges (or quail), wild turkeys, hares, robin red breast, and all native pheasants in the county of Albemarle, and to prohibit the catching of the same in traps, or the destruction of eggs of the same in said county, approved January 25, 1898, and to apply the provisions of the same to the city of Charlottesville, No. 56; an act to change the name of Newport News creek, located in the city of Newport News, and to call the same Newport river, No. 68; an act to create Fairmount district, in Fairfield magisterial district, in the county of Henrico; to provide for the establishment of a board of improvement commissioners; to empower them to make a special levy on the property of said Fairmount district, and to disburse the same and road tax or levy, made by the supervisors of Henrico county on the property of said Fairmount district; to prescribe the method whereby said funds shall come within their control, and to authorize and direct the use of said funds for lights, sewerage, and other improvements of a public nature, No. 71; an act to repeal an act entitled an act providing for the working, opening, and keeping in repair the roads in the counties of Brunswick, Nottoway, and Amelia, and for the building and keeping in repair the bridges in said counties, approved March 3, 1896, so far as it applies to the county of Brunswick, and to abolish the office of superintendent of roads and bridges for the said county of

Brunswick, created by said act, No. 78; an act to prohibit the killing of fish in Clinch river, in the county of Russell, with dynamite or other explosives, and to prescribe a punishment therefor, No. 79; an act to amend section 1, chapter 517, Acts 1897-98, to prevent hogs from running at large in the county of Russell, No. 80.

In which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 62, House bill to provide for the working and keeping in repair, opening and discontinuing the public roads in the county of Brunswick, and for the building and keeping in repair the bridges in the said county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 56, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to regulate killing, capturing, hunting, buying, selling, or offering for sale of partridges (or quail), wild turkeys, hares, robin red breast, and all native pheasants, in the county of Albemarle, and to prohibit the catching of the same in traps, or the destruction of eggs of the same in said county, approved January 25, 1898, and to apply the provisions of the same to the city of Charlottesville, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 68, House bill to change the name of Newport News creek, located in the city of Newport News, and to call the same Newport river, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 71, House bill to create Fairmount district, in Fairfield magisterial district, in the county of Henrico; to provide for the establishment of a board of improvement commissioners; to empower them to make a special levy on the property of said Fairmount district, and to disburse same and road tax or levy, made by the supervisors of Henrico county, on the property of said Fairmount district; to prescribe the method whereby said funds shall come within their control, and to authorize and direct the use of said funds for lights, sewerage, and other improvements of a public nature, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 78, House bill to repeal an act entitled an act providing for the working, opening and keeping in repair the roads in the counties of Brunswick, Nottoway and Amelia, and for the building and keeping in repair the bridges in said counties, approved March 3, 1896, so far as it applies to the county of Brunswick, and to abolish the office of superintendent of roads and bridges for the said county of Brunswick, created by said act, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 79, House bill to prohibit the killing of fish in Clinch river,

in the county of Russell, with dynamite or other explosive, and to prescribe a punishment therefor, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 80, House bill to amend section 1, chapter 517, Acts 1897-'98, to prevent hogs from running at large in the county of Russell, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 105, A bill to authorize the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company of Virginia to change its name, and to increase the number of its directors and officers; to authorize said company to increase its capital stock, and to issue bonds and secure the same by one or more mortgages, and to authorize the leasing by it and the consolidation therewith of other corporations; and otherwise to enlarge its powers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 106, A bill to amend section 2498 of the Code of Virginia, as heretofore amended in relation to the release and satisfaction of liens; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave presented

No. 107, A bill for the relief of Joseph E. Moringo, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 108, A bill to amend and re-enact section 457 of the Code of Virginia in relation to what real estate exempt from taxation; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 109, A bill to refund to Richard Ford, a fine paid by him for his son, Melville Ford, a lunatic; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 110, A bill to prevent persons riding on freight or passenger trains of any railroad in this Commonwealth, without authority having been first obtained from said railroad company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 111, A bill to prevent persons getting on or off street cars while the same are in motion; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 112, A bill for the protection of fish in Reed creek, in Bedford county, for two years from this date, and providing penalty for violation of same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and, on his motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and, being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No. 113, A bill for the relief of Sarah A. Pary, widow of a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 114, A bill to provide for the erection and maintaining of watering troughs for the use of horses and cattle on the public roads of this Commonwealth, and providing penalties for injury and destruction of same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 115, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3518 and section 3519 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to fee bills, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 18, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3518 and 3519 of the Code of Virginia, so as to empower county treasurers to collect fee bills; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 116, A bill to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 15, 1894, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as notaries, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 13, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as notaries, approved February 15, 1894, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as school trustees, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, approved February 23, 1898, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as justices, which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 117, A bill to amend the charter of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, by amending and re-enacting section two thereof, as amended and re-enacted by the act approved January 11, 1896, so as to authorize said Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company to issue preferred as well as common stock; and by adding an independent section to said charter authorizing and permitting said Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company and its successors to manufacture steel and iron and the products thereof, and armor and arms, carriages and ammunition, and to erect and maintain piers, docks, bulkheads and other properties and works in the James River, westerly from and in front of the property owned, or which may be owned by said company or its successors at Newport News; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MAYNARD moved that when the Senate adjourns it be in respect to the memory of the late Hon. M. S. NEWBERNE, delegate from Norfolk county; which was agreed to.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented the following resolution:

Whereas it is believed that the taxable real estate within this Commonwealth is not so assessed as to cause taxation to be equal and uniform, as contemplated by the constitution, and that as a result some communities bear in proportion much greater burdens than other communities in the support of the government; and,

Whereas the present year is the regular time for the reassessment of lands, and if any action can be had to remedy this evil, it should be had speedily, so as to be effective in said reassessment; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate committee on finance and banks shall make inquiry into this subject and report as soon as practicable, by bill or otherwise.

Which was agreed to.

No. 83, Senate bill to authorize the councils of the city of Norfolk to issue bonds, from time to time, not exceeding \$75,000 of principal, predicated upon the assessed valuation of the property in Brambleton ward.

Mr. FOSTER moved that the committee on county, city and town organizations be discharged from further consideration of the bill; which was agreed to.

On his further motion, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. MAYNARD, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported with amendment

No. 71, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 16 of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and, on motion of Mr. SANDS, passed by.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 79, Senate bill for the relief of Geo. W. Koontz, treasurer of Shenandoah county, and to authorize the Auditor of Public Accounts to credit said treasurer with lost school warrant.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 1, House bill to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 526 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 118, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 613 of the Code of Virginia in reference to compensation of treasurers for receiving and paying over revenue.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 119, A bill for the relief of Dabney Abbot, an ex-confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 120, A bill to prevent the pollution of the waters of Goose creek and tributaries thereto, in the county of Bedford, by persons or corporations engaged in mining or digging out iron ore, or other minerals, and providing penalties for violation of same; which,

on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 121, Senate joint-resolutions proposing amendment to section 5, of article 10 of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for publishing said amendment and certifying the same to the next general assembly; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LE CATO, by leave, presented

No. 122, Joint-resolution proposing an amendment to section 1 of article 3 of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for publishing said amendment and certifying the same to the next general assembly; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. OPIE, by leave, presented

No. 123, A bill for the relief of George A. Hutcheson, of the city of Staunton; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. OPIE, by leave, presented

No. 124, A bill to amend and re-enact section 58 of the charter of the town of Basic City; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. BLAKEY, by leave (by request), presented

No. 125, A bill to provide for selling, granting and conveying to the Colonial Water Company ten acres of land lying under the waters of the York river, in the county of Gloucester, and to permit said company to hold said land and to erect a hotel and other buildings thereon; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 126, A bill to relieve the heirs of Adeline V. Hall from erroneous assessment of land; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 127, A bill to amend and re-enact section 614 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by act approved March 5th, 1888, in relation to the compensation of county and city treasurers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 128, A bill to prevent the sale of adulterate and unbranded food in the State of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the

first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 129, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2465 of the Code of Virginia, relating to contract, deeds, and so forth, that are void as to creditors and purchasers unless recorded, as amended by an act approved March 4, 1896, and as amended by an act approved March 3, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 130, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3224 of the Code of Virginia, relating how summons or *scire facias* served and copy to be made out for defendant, as amended by an act approved March 4, 1892; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. GLASS, by leave (by request), presented

No. 131, A bill to authorize the National Mutual Church Insurance Company to transact business in Virginia free from taxation; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 132, A bill to permit C. W. Grandy, of Norfolk, Va., to erect, maintain and rebuild a wharf on James river, in Charles City county, Va.; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 133, A bill to permit C. W. Grandy, of Norfolk, Va., to erect and maintain a wharf on James river, in Charles City county, Virginia, opposite the land called Kennon's or Neilson's Landing; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 134, A bill to re-enact and amend chapter 457, Acts of Assembly 1889-'90, entitled an act to incorporate the Appomattox, Buckingham & Cumberland Railroad Company; which, on his

motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the auditor of public accounts; which was read, and, on motion of Mr. KEEZELL, was tabled and ordered to be printed as document No. 3.

No. 32, House bill to legalize primary elections and conventions in the counties of Culpeper, Rockbridge, and Botetourt, was taken up, read the third time, and passed.

And on motion, the title was amended, inserting Bedford and Augusta and striking out the word Botetourt.

No. 60, House bill to allow Joseph W. Taylor to erect a wharf or pier on Watts Bay, in Accomac county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 38, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to declare Clinch river and Clinch mountain a lawful fence in the county of Russell, approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. STEELE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 28, Senate bill authorizing the auditor of public accounts to issue a warrant to F. Sale and J. W. Austin for the payment of \$25, for services rendered by them in making an autopsy on the body of Edward Smith, deceased, was taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. CLAYTOR (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 33; noes, 0:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—33.

NOES—None.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 16, Senate bill to amend the charter of the Old Dominion Building and Loan Association of Richmond, Virginia, granted by the judge of the circuit court of Richmond, Virginia, in vacation, January 18, 1890, approved by the order of the circuit court of the city of Richmond, entered August 1, 1890, and to change the name of the said corporation, and to grant it the power of a trust, guarantee and safe deposit company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to.

Mr. LYLE offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. EGGLESTON offered an amendment.

Mr. MUNFORD moved to recommit the bill to the committee on general laws, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. BLAKEY the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, January 4, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bill entitled an act to amend the charter of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company, by amending and re-enacting section two thereof as amended and re-enacted by the act approved January 11, 1896, so as to authorize said Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company to issue preferred as well as common stock, and by adding an independent section to said charter authorizing and permitting said Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Company and its successors to manufacture steel and iron and the products thereof, and armor and arms, carriages and ammunition, and to erect and maintain piers, docks, bulkheads, and other properties and works in the James river westerly from and in front of the property owned or which may be owned by said company or its successors at Newport News, No. 117.

They have passed House bills entitled an act authorizing A. W. Houchins, ex-deputy treasurer of Patrick county, to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected taxes and levies assessed in Smiths river district for the year 1894, No. 76; an act to incorporate the town of Phœbus, in the county of Elizabeth City, No. 51; an act to authorize and empower the council of the town of Farmville to vacate and close so much of Spruce street as lies between High and Chambers streets, No. 57; an act to change the name of the Title and Trust Company to Southern Trust Company, and to amend and re-enact section one of an act to incorporate the Virginia Guarantee and Safe Deposit Company, of Richmond, Virginia, approved January 24, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 22, 1894, No. 81; an act to amend and re-enact section 753 of the Code of Virginia, relating to State depositories, No. 82; an act for the relief of M. C. Morris, No. 83; an act to allow M. S. Cahoon, late treasurer of Botetourt county, further time to make settlements and return delinquents and collect tax tickets, No. 84; an act to authorize and permit the Old Dominion Land Company to erect wharves or piers and to construct bulkheads in the James river along the water fronts of the lands owned by it in the city of Newport News, Virginia, and to issue bonds and negotiable notes, secured by mortgage or deeds of trust, to pay for the same, No. 85.

In which bills they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 76, House bill authorizing A. W. Houchins, ex-deputy treasurer of Patrick county, to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected taxes and levies assessed in Smiths river district for the year of 1894, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. HARVEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 51, House bill to incorporate the town Phoebus, in Elizabeth City county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 57, House bill to authorize and empower the council of the town of Farmville to vacate and close so much of Spruce street as lies between High and Chambers streets, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WATKINS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 81, House bill to change the name of the Title and Trust Company to Southern Trust Company, and to amend and re-enact section one of an act to incorporate the Virginia Guarantee and Safe Deposit Company of Richmond, Virginia, approved January 24, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 22, 1894, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 82, House bill to amend and re-enact section seven hundred and fifty-three of the Code of Virginia, relating to State depositaries, was taken up, twice read, and referred to committee on finance and banks.

No. 83, House bill for the relief of M. C. Morris, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 84, House bill to allow M. S. Cahoon, late treasurer of Botetourt county, further time to make settlements and return delinquents and collect tax tickets, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. OPIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 85, House bill to authorize and permit the Old Dominion Land Company to erect wharves or piers, and to construct bulkheads in the James river, along the water fronts of the lands owned by it in the city of Newport News, Virginia, and to issue bonds and negotiable notes secured by mortgage or deeds of trust to pay for the same, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. LE CATO, from the committee on fish and game, reported with substitute

No. 56, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to regulate killing, capturing, hunting, buying, selling, or offering for sale of partridges (or quail), wild turkeys, hares, robin red breast, and all native pheasants, in the county of Albemarle, and to prohibit the catching of same in traps, or the destruction of the

eggs of the same in said county, approved January 25, 1898, and to apply the provisions of the same to the city of Charlottesville.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported with amendments

No. 16, Senate bill to amend the charter of the Old Dominion Building and Loan Association of Richmond, Virginia, granted by the judge of the circuit court of Richmond, Virginia, in vacation, January 18, 1890, approved by the order of the circuit court of the city of Richmond, entered August 1, 1890, and to change the name of the said corporation, and to grant it the power of a trust, guarantee and safe deposit company.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 59, House bill to authorize and empower the Governor of Virginia to issue another grant to Winfield Liggett on land office treasury warrant No. 30,496, in lieu of the grant rescinded by this act.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported without amendment

No. 26, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3271 of the Code of Virginia in relation to demurrer.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 27, House bill relating to the signing, heretofore or hereafter, of certain obligations by corporations as surety, through duly authorized agents or attorneys in fact without the use of corporate seal, and declaring the force and effect of the same.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 4, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3057 of the Code in relation to judicial circuits, and to abolish the eighteenth judicial circuit.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 106, Senate bill to amend section 2498 of the Code of Virginia as heretofore amended, in relation to the release and satisfaction of liens.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 135, A bill to incorporate the Consolidated Turnpike Company, of Norfolk, Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave (by request), presented

No. 136, A bill to empower the counties of Albemarle, Buckingham and Fluvanna to construct a bridge across James river at or near the town of Scotsville, and to collect tolls thereon, and to authorize and empower said counties to negotiate a loan and issue bonds for that purpose, and to repeal section 1388 of the Code of Virginia in-so-far as it applies to such bridge; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 137, An act to amend and re-enact section 1 of chapter 129 of the acts of the general assembly of Virginia, approved February 28, 1890, entitled an act to prescribe the time for holding the courts of the seventeenth judicial circuit, as amended by an act approved February 16, 1892, and further amended by an act approved February 7, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 138, A bill for the relief of C. B. Gibson, of Lee county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented,

No. 139, A bill to amend and re-enact section 10 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act to incorporate the town of Dayton, approved March 9, 1880, and all acts amendatory thereof, approved February 29, 1892; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

No. 140, A bill for the relief of J. H. Renback, of the county of Rockingham, from an improper assessment; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

No. 141, A bill for the relief of J. W. Sutpin, a disabled Confederate soldier, of Rockingham county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 142, A bill to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Southside Railway and Development Company, approved March 3, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 143, A bill to amend and re-enact section 1220 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved December 20, 1897, relative to penalty for violating sections 1215-16-17-18-19 of the Code of Virginia or any of them; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 144, A bill for the relief of Richard T. Vaughan, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 145, A bill to amend and re-enact section 1398 of the Code, in reference to conveyances and gifts by will for religious purposes, as amended by an act approved March 4, 1898, entitled an act to amend section 1398 of the Code and section 1399 of the Code, as amended by an act approved January 31, 1890, as to what conveyances for religious purposes are valid; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 146, A bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Brunswick county to issue the bonds of the county, to be exchanged for bonds of said county, issued in payment for the stock of the Atlantic and Danville Railway Company payable in 1915, and relieving the said board from the duty of providing a sinking fund for the payment of said outstanding bonds; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 147, A bill to repeal an act approved February 2, 1898, entitled "An act to provide for working a certain road in Fairfax county, and to make applicable thereto the provisions of an act approved February 20, 1896"; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 148, A bill for the relief of Wm. H. Wood, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. FOSTER, by leave, presented

No. 149, A bill directing and instructing the treasurer of Princess Anne county to set aside and pay over to commissioners for improvements at Virginia Beach, in Princess Anne county, a portion of the county taxes and levies upon the property at said Virginia Beach and appointing said commissioners; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

No. 150, A bill to incorporate the Charlotte County Railway Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented a petition from citizens of Montgomery county in relation to the Steele pure food bill, which was referred to the committee on general laws.

He also presented petitions from citizens of Botetourt county in

relation to temperance instruction in public schools, which were referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PÉTTIT, which was read as follows :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the General Assembly proceed this day at 12.30 to the election of a county judge for the county of Fluvanna, a corporation judge for the city of Portsmouth, a corporation judge for the city of Staunton, a corporation judge for the city of Alexandria, a corporation judge for the city of Petersburg, a corporation judge of the city of Norfolk, a judge of the law and chancery court of the city of Norfolk, a judge of the law and equity court of the city of Richmond, a judge of the chancery court of the city of Richmond, and a judge of the corporation court of the city of Richmond, and that in the execution of this joint order, nominations shall be made for the whole number in the order in which they appear above, and then each house shall be notified of said nominations, then the roll shall be called for the election of one of the officers in the order named, and when the roll shall have been called for the whole number, the presiding officer of each house shall appoint a committee of two, which together, shall constitute a joint committee to count the joint vote in each case and report the result to their respective houses.

Agreed to by House of Delegates.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to lay on the table, which was agreed to.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to take up the House joint resolution, which was agreed to, and offered the following substitute, which was agreed to :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the General Assembly of Virginia do proceed this day, 1 o'clock P. M., to the election of a judge of the county court of the county of Fluvanna; a judge of the hustings court of the city of Richmond; a judge of the hustings court of the city of Portsmouth; a judge of the hustings court of the city of Staunton; a judge of the corporation court of the city of Alexandria; a judge of the hustings court of the city of Petersburg; a judge of the hustings court of the city of Norfolk; a judge of the law and chancery court of the city of Norfolk; a judge of the law and equity court of the city of Richmond; a judge of the chancery court of the city of Richmond, and a judge of the corporation court of the city of Danville; and that, in the execution of this joint order, nominations shall be made for the whole number in the order in which they appear above; and that each house of the General Assembly shall be notified of said nominations; then the roll shall be called for the election of each one of the judges in the order named; and when the roll shall have been called for the whole number, the presiding officer of each of said houses shall appoint a committee of two, which together shall constitute a joint committee to count the joint vote in each case and report the result to their respective houses.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates, by Mr. WHITEHEAD, who informed the Senate that the House had agreed to the Senate substitute for House joint resolution in relation to the election of certain judges.

The hour of 1 o'clock having arrived, Mr. TATE was ordered to inform the House that the Senate was ready to proceed with the execution of the joint order of the day, which has for its object the election of certain judges.

A message was received from the House of Delegates, by Mr. GARNETT, who informed the Senate that the House was ready on its part to proceed.

A message was received from the House of Delegates, by Mr. PATTERSON, who informed the Senate that the only names before that House were those included in the list that hereafter follows.

On motion of Mr. WHITEHEAD, he was ordered to inform the House that the only names before the Senate were those on said list.

Nominations for:

County Judge of Fluvanna—E. N. Wood.

Hustings Court City of Richmond—S. B. Witt.

Hustings Court City of Portsmouth—J. F. Crocker.

Hustings Court City of Staunton—Henry W. Holt.

Corporation Court City of Alexandria—J. K. M. Morton.

Hustings Court City of Petersburg—J. M. Mullen.

Hustings Court City of Norfolk—Allen R. Hanckel.

Law and Chancery Court City of Norfolk—Wm. B. Martin.

Law and Equity Court City of Richmond—E. C. Minor.

Chancery Court City of Richmond—Jas. C. Lamb.

Corporation Court City of Danville—A. M. Aiken.

For E. N. Wood, - - - - 34

Senators who voted for E. N. WOOD are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Watkins and Whitehead—34.

For S. B. Witt, - - - - 35

Senators who voted for S. B. WITT are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—35.

For J. F. Crocker, - - - - 35

Senators who voted for J. F. CROCKER are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold,

Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—35.

For Henry W. Holt, - - - 35

Senators who voted for HENRY W. HOLT are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—35.

For J. K. M. Norton, - - - 36

Senators who voted for J. K. M. NORTON are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—36.

For J. M. Mullen, - - - 37

Senators who voted for J. M. MULLEN, are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—37.

For Allen R. Hanckel, - - - 35

Senators who voted for ALLEN R. HANCKEL, are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—35.

For Wm. B. Martin, - - - 34

Senators who voted for Wm. B. MARTIN, are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—34.

For E. C. Minor, - - - 35

Senators who voted for E. C. MINOR, are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—35.

For Jas. C. Lamb, - - - 34

Senators who voted for JAS. C. LAMB, are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold,

Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—34.

For A. M. Aiken, - - - - 35

Senators who voted for A. M. AIKEN are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—35.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. BLAKEY and SHANDS the committee to meet a similar committee on the part of the House of Delegates, to count the joint-vote.

The committee, through Mr. BLAKEY, reported :

For judge of the county court of Fluvanna :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	115
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	58
Of which E. N. Wood received,	-	-	115

E. N. Wood having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the county court of Fluvanna for the legal term of that office.

For judge of the hustings court of Richmond :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	116
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	59
Of which S. B. Witt received,	-	-	116

S. B. Witt having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the hustings court of the city of Richmond for the legal term of that office.

For judge of the hustings court of the city of Portsmouth :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	116
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	59
Of which J. F. Crocker received,	-	-	116

J. F. Crocker having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the hustings court of the city of Portsmouth for the legal term of that office.

For judge of the hustings court of the city of Staunton :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	116
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	59
Of which Henry W. Holt received,	-	-	116

Henry W. Holt having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the hustings court of the city of Staunton for the legal term of that office.

For corporation judge of the city of Alexandria :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	117
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	59
Of which J. K. M. Norton received,	-	-	117

J. K. M. Norton having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected corporation judge of the city of Alexandria for the legal term of that office.

For judge of the hustings court of the city of Petersburg :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	116
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	59
Of which J. M. Mullen received,	-	-	116

J. M. Mullen having received all of the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the hustings court of the city of Petersburg for the legal term of that office.

For judge of the hustings court city of Norfolk :

Whole number votes cast,	-	-	116
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	59
Of which Allen R. Hanckel received	-	-	116

Allen R. Hanckel, having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the hustings court of the city of Norfolk for the legal term of that office.

For judge of law and chancery court of the city of Norfolk :

Whole number votes cast,	-	-	115
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	58
Of which Wm. B. Martin received	-	-	115

Wm. B. Martin, having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the law and chancery court of the city of Norfolk for the legal term of that office.

For judge of the law and equity court of the city of Richmond :

Whole number votes cast,	-	-	116
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	59
Of which E. C. Minor received	-	-	116

E. C. Minor, having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the law and equity court of the city of Richmond for the legal term of that office.

For judge of the chancery court of the city of Richmond :

Whole number votes cast, -	-	115
Necessary to a choice, -	-	58
Of which Jas. C. Lamb received -	-	115

Jas. C. Lamb, having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the chancery court of the city of Richmond for the legal term of that office.

For judge of the corporation court of the city of Danville :

Whole number of votes cast, -	-	116
Necessary to a choice, -	-	59
Of which A. M. Aiken received -	-	116

A. M. Aiken having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the corporation court of the city of Danville for the legal term of that office.

No. 71, House bill to create Fairmount district, in Fairfield magisterial district, in the county of Henrico; to provide for the establishment of a board of improvement commissioners; to empower them to make a special levy on the property of said Fairmount district, and to disburse same and road tax or levy, made by the supervisors of Henrico county, on the property of said Fairmount district; to prescribe the method whereby said funds shall come within their control, and to authorize and direct the use of said funds for lights, sewerage, and other improvements of a public nature, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1, House bill to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to.

Mr. WALKER offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. OPIE offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. MORRIS moved to reconsider committee amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. HARVEY moved to recommit the bill to the committee on finance and banks, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. FLOOD, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

Communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 5, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bill entitled an act to authorize the Winchester Presbytery, of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, to receive a gift as the foundation of a scholarship, No. 33.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to enable the city of Fredericksburg to enforce the collection of delinquent taxes and levies due the city against real estate sold by the State and bought by the auditor for delinquent State taxes, No. 75; an act to amend section 1414, Code of Virginia, 1887, in relation to cemeteries in Henrico county, and giving the town of Barton Heights the authority to regulate by proper ordinances the burial of dead bodies in the cemeteries adjoining the town of Barton Heights and known as Hams, Cedarwood, Union Mechanics, Methodist, Ebenezer, and Sycamore cemeteries, No. 86; an act to incorporate the Keysville Bluestone Mission Industrial School, No. 87; an act to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in Richmond county, No. 88; an act to provide a new charter for the town of Abingdon, Va., and to repeal all other acts with reference thereto, No. 89; an act to authorize and empower the school board of Big Stone Gap school district, in Wise county, to issue bonds to erect a building for a graded school, No. 90; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Wise county to levy a tax for county school purposes, No. 91; an act to create a board of sinking fund commissioners for Wise county, No. 92; an act to authorize the school board of Jefferson township, in Culpeper county, to borrow money, No. 93; and an act to authorize the United States government to acquire title and jurisdiction to a tract of land in the county of Norfolk on the southern branch of the Elizabeth river, No. 94.

In which bills they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 75, House bill to enable the city of Fredericksburg to enforce the collection of delinquent taxes and levies due the city

against real estate sold by the State and bought by the auditor for delinquent State taxes, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 86, House bill to amend section 1414, Code of Virginia 1887, in relation to cemeteries in Henrico county, and giving the town of Barton Heights the authority to regulate by proper ordinances the burial of dead bodies in the cemeteries adjoining the town of Barton Heights and known as Hams, Cedarwood, Union Mechanics, Methodist, Ebenezer, and Sycamore cemeteries, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 87, House bill to incorporate the Keysville Bluestone Mission Industrial School, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. EGGLESTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 88, House bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in Richmond county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 89, House bill to provide a new charter for the town of Abingdon, Virginia, and to repeal all other acts with reference thereto, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 90, House bill to authorize and empower the school board of Big Stone Gap school district, in Wise county, to issue bonds to erect a building for a graded school, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 91, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Wise county to levy a tax for county school purposes, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 92, House bill to create a board of sinking fund commissioners for Wise county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 93, House bill to authorize the school board of Jefferson township, in Culpeper county, to borrow money, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 94, House bill to authorize the United States government to acquire title and jurisdiction to a tract of land in the county of Norfolk, on the southern branch of the Elizabeth river, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported with amendments

No. 29, Senate bill to authorize the Norfolk and Southern Railroad to purchase or consolidate with other railroads.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 37, House bill to incorporate the New River, Holston and Western Railroad Company, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

Mr. TATE was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 14, Senate bill to incorporate The Great Falls and Old Dominion Railway Company.

He, from the same committee, reported with a substitute

No. 91, Senate bill for the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company, and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point, and Newport News Railway, Ferry, and Hotel Company, under the name of the Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Newport News Railway Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 105, Senate bill to authorize the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company of Virginia to change its name, and to increase the number of its directors and officers; to authorize said company to increase its capital stock, and to issue bonds and secure the same by one or more mortgages, and to authorize the leasing by it and the consolidation therewith of other corporations; and otherwise to enlarge its powers.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, asked that the committee be discharged from further consideration of Senate bill 131, and that the bill be referred to the committee on general laws, which was agreed to.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 151, A bill authorizing the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina Railroad Company, as successor of the Virginia and Carolina Railroad Company, to exercise the franchises, powers and privileges of the Virginia and Carolina Railroad Company, to change its name, and to possess and exercise general powers, and authorize leases, purchases, sales or consolidations between it and other railroad or transportation companies; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 152, A bill to provide for the reduction of the capital stock and the issue of special stock of the Southern Railway Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No 153, A bill to provide for the decrease of the nominal amount of the common capital stock of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave (by request), presented

No. 154, A bill to authorize the auditor of public accounts to issue to J. W. Huddleston, deputy sheriff for P. L. Huddleston, a warrant for the sum of \$25.69, for the arrest, returning and conveying of James W. Overstreet, charged with burglary, from Winston, North Carolina, to Bedford City, Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 155, A bill to re-enact an act entitled an act for the protection of fish in Frederick county, approved February 20, 1894; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 156, A bill for the relief of Bettie O. Blaxton, widow of a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 157, A bill to prescribe the weight of a bushel of apples and the size of barrels used for packing and shipping the same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 158, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 1744, 1745, 1746, 1747, 1749, 1750 and 1752 of chapter 77 of the Code, regulating the practice of medicine and surgery in Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 159, A bill to amend and re-enact section 4106 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 23, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 9, 1898, in relation to the jurisdiction of police justices and justices of the peace as to the trial of offenders in certain cases; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 160, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 90 and 93, of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required; which, on

his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 161, An act for relief of E. W. Armistead; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave presented

No. 162, A bill to authorize the town of Scottsville to contribute towards the erection of a bridge across James river at or near said town, and to negotiate a loan and issue its bonds for that purpose; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented the following joint resolution:

Resolved, By the Senate of Virginia (the House of Delegates concurring), that the honorable, the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, respectfully requested to furnish the Commonwealth of Virginia with copies of all muster and pay rolls on file in his department showing the officers and men of this Commonwealth who rendered service during the war of the Revolution, either in the Continental line, State troops, the militia, or any branch of the naval service.

Resolved, further, that this request shall be communicated to the Secretary of War by the Governor of the Commonwealth, and when copies of said rolls shall have been received, they shall be placed in the custody of the State librarian.

Which was agreed to, and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 37, House bill to incorporate the New River, Holston and Western Railroad Company, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendment agreed to, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. TATE, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 59, House bill to authorize and empower the Governor of Virginia to issue another grant to Winfield Liggett on land office treasury warrant No. 30,496, in lieu of the grant rescinded by this act, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 26, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3271 of the Code of Virginia in relation to demurrer, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 27, House bill relating to the signing heretofore or hereafter of certain obligations by corporations as surety, through duly authorized agents or attorneys in fact without the use of corporate seal, and declaring the force and effect of the same, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 56, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to regulate killing, capturing, hunting, buying, selling, or offering for sale of partridges (or quail), wild turkeys, hares, robin red

breast, and all native pheasants, in the county of Albemarle, and to prohibit the catching of the same in traps, or the destruction of eggs of the same in said county, approved January 25, 1898, and to apply the provisions of the same to the city of Charlottesville, was taken up, read the third time, committee substitute agreed to, and passed.

And on motion of Mr. MORRIS the title was amended to read as follows :

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to regulate the killing, capturing, hunting, buying, selling or offering for sale, of partridges (or quail), wild turkeys, and native pheasants in the county of Albemarle, and to prohibit the catching of same in traps or the destruction of the eggs of same in said county, approved January 25, 1898, so as to include protection of hares and robin red breasts, and apply the provisions of said act to the city of Charlottesville.

No. 81, House bill to change the name of the Title and Trust Company to Southern Trust Company, and to amend and re-enact section one of an act to incorporate the Virginia Guarantee and Safe Deposit Company of Richmond, Virginia, approved January 24, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 22, 1894, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 84, House bill to allow M. S. Cahoon, late treasurer of Botetourt county, further time to make settlements and return delinquents and collect tax tickets, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 76, House bill authorizing A. W. Houchins, ex-deputy treasurer of Patrick county, to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected taxes and levies assessed in Smiths river district for the year of 1894, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 85, House bill to authorize and permit the Old Dominion Land Company to erect wharves or piers, and to construct bulk-heads in the James river along the water fronts of the lands owned by it in the city of Newport News, Virginia, and to issue bonds and negotiable notes, secured by mortgage or deeds of trust, to pay for the same, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 57, House bill to authorize and empower the council of the town of Farmville to vacate and close so much of Spruce street as lies between High and Chambers streets, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 71, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 16 of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the Government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent

spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 79, Senate bill for the relief of George W. Koontz, treasurer of Shenandoah county, and to authorize the auditor of public accounts to credit said treasurer with lost school warrant, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. LUTTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. LUTTON, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 16, Senate bill to amend the charter of the Old Dominion Building and Loan Association of Richmond, Virginia, granted by the judge of the circuit court of Richmond, Virginia, in vacation, January 18, 1890, approved by the order of the circuit court of the city of Richmond, entered August 1, 1890, and to change the name of the said corporation, and to grant it the power of a trust, guarantee and safe deposit company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to.

Mr. EGGLESTON offered an amendment.

Mr. MUNFORD offered a substitute for Mr. EGGLESTON amendment, which was agreed to.

And ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. MUNFORD (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MUNFORD moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 106, Senate bill to amend section 2498 of the Code of Virginia, as heretofore amended, in relation to the release and satisfaction of liens, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 4, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3057 of the Code, in relation to judicial circuits and to abolish the Eighteenth judicial circuit, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments read, and on motion of Mr. CLAYTON, passed by.

No. 136, Senate bill to empower the counties of Albemarle, Buckingham, and Fluvanna to construct a bridge across James river at or near the town of Scottsville, and to collect tolls thereon, and to authorize and empower said counties to negotiate a loan and issue bonds for that purpose, and to repeal section 1388 of the Code of Virginia in so far as it applies to such bridge, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 139, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 10 of an act entitled an act to amend and re enact an act to incorporate the town of Dayton, approved March 9, 1880, and all acts amendatory

thereof, approved February 29, 1892, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 146, Senate bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Brunswick county to issue the bonds of the county, to be exchanged for or used in paying off the bonds of said county, issued in payment for the stock of the Atlantic and Danville Railway Company, payable in 1915, and relieving the said board from the duty of providing a sinking fund for the payment of said outstanding bonds, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD, leave of absence was granted Mr. SANDS for one day.

Mr. WICKHAM moved that the Senate adjourn until Monday at 12 o'clock M.

MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. J. J. Gravatt.

Journal of Saturday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 6, 1900.

The House of Delegates has agreed to the amendment of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to incorporate the New River, Holston and Western Railroad Company, No. 37.

They have passed House bill entitled an act to incorporate the Portsmouth and Pinners Point Drawbridge Company, No. 34.

In which bill they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 34, House bill to incorporate the Portsmouth and Pinners Point Bridge Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

A communication from the House of Delegates in relation to abstract of the returns of clerks of courts to the clerk of the House of Delegates was read, and on motion of Mr. KEEZELL, was ordered to be printed as Senate document No. 4.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported with amendments

No. 28, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3351 of the Code of Virginia, and to provide how party having adverse interest or an adverse witness may be examined.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 29, House bill giving courts of law jurisdiction over suits on lost past due bonds, notes, or other written evidences of debt, and enabling said courts to require the party in whose favor the judgment may be rendered to execute proper indemnifying bond before execution is issued.

And he, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 137, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1 of chapter 129 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved February 28, 1890, entitled an act to prescribe the time for holding the courts of the seventeenth judicial circuit, as amended by an act approved February 16, 1892, and further amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. GLASS presented the following resolution :

Resolved (the House of Delegates concurring), That the General Assembly proceed, at 1 o'clock to-day, to the election of a corporation judge for the city of Lynchburg.

Which was agreed to, and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 163, A bill to prevent corrupt practices, or bribery in elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and providing penalties and remedies for violations of this act, and declaring void under certain conditions elections in which the provisions or any of them of this act have been violated; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 164, A bill to incorporate Big Sandy and Cumberland Railroad Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 165, A bill for the relief of Wm. A. Hopkins, a disabled Confederate soldier of Bedford county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 166, A bill for the relief of H. P. Huddleston, a Confederate soldier of Bedford county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 167, A bill for the relief of David W. Quarles, a disabled

Confederate soldier of Bedford county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 168, A bill for the relief of Henry C. Cheek, an ex-Confederate soldier of Bedford county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 169, A bill for the relief of James L. Arthur, a disabled Confederate soldier of Bedford county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave presented

No. 170, A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Shenandoah county in their discretion to levy a tax not exceeding twenty cents on the one hundred dollars of the taxable value of said county, for public school purposes; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave presented

No. 171, A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Frederick county in their discretion, to levy a tax not exceeding twenty cents on the one hundred dollars of the taxable value of said county for public school purposes; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 172, A bill to incorporate Hampton Roads Railway and Electric Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 173, A bill to amend and re-enact section 62 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 174, A bill to regulate the killing, capturing, hunting, buying or selling or offering for sale of partridges and wild turkeys in the county of Dinwiddie and to prohibit the catching of the same in traps or nets and to prohibit the taking or destruction of eggs of same in said county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. LE CATO, by leave, presented

No. 175, A bill to provide for the establishment of the Virginia State colony for epileptics and to appropriate money therefor; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 176, A bill to prevent gambling or the wagering of money, thing or consideration of value upon the results of any trial of speed or power of endurance or skill of animals or beasts, taking place without the limits of the Commonwealth; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. TYLER, by leave presented

A petition from voters of Newport News asking for the passage of the separate car bill, which was referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 86, House bill to amend section 1414, Code of Virginia 1887, in relation to cemeteries in Henrico county, and giving the town of Barton Heights the authority to regulate by proper ordinances the burial of dead bodies in the cemeteries adjoining the town of Barton Heights and known as Hams, Cedarwood, Union Mechanics, Methodist, Ebenezer, and Sycamore cemeteries, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 87, House bill to incorporate the Keysville Bluestone Mission Industrial School, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 88, House bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in Richmond county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 90, House bill to authorize and empower the school board of Big Stone Gap school district, in Wise county, to issue bonds to erect a building for a graded school, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 91, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Wise county to levy a tax for county school purposes, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 92, House bill to create a board of sinking fund commissioners for Wise county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 93, House bill to authorize the school board of Jefferson township, in Culpeper county, to borrow money, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 71, Senate bill to create Fairmount district, in Fairfield magisterial district, in the county of Henrico; to provide for the establishment of a board of improvement commissioners; to empower them to make a special levy on the property of said Fairmount district, and to disburse same and road tax or levy, made by the supervisors of Henrico county, on the property of said

Fairmount district; to prescribe the method whereby said funds shall come within their control, and to authorize and direct the use of said funds for lights, sewerage, and other improvements of a public nature, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 106, House bill to authorize the Richmond Standard Steel Spike and Iron Company to construct a railway across the county road in Dunlap's Creek Valley in Alleghany county, upon such terms as may be prescribed by the board of supervisors of Alleghany county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 136, Senate bill to empower the counties of Albemarle, Buckingham, and Fluvanna to construct a bridge across James river, at or near the town of Scottsville, and to collect tolls thereon, and to authorize and empower said counties to negotiate a loan and issue bonds for that purpose, and to repeal section 1388 of the Code of Virginia in so far as it applies to such bridge, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 139, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 10 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act to incorporate the town of Dayton, approved March 9, 1880, and all acts amendatory thereof, approved February 29, 1892, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 146, Senate bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Brunswick county to issue the bonds of the county, to be exchanged for, or used in paying off the bonds of said county, issued in payment for the stock of the Atlantic and Danville Railway Company, payable in 1915, and relieving the said board from the duty of providing a sinking fund for the payment of said outstanding bonds, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 42, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 186 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the increase of salaries of judges of certain cities, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 4, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3057 of the Code, in relation to judicial circuits, and to abolish the Eighteenth judicial circuit, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to.

Mr. CLAYTOR offered an amendment; which was agreed to.

Ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 14, Senate bill to incorporate the Great Falls and Old Dominion Railway Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 29, Senate bill to authorize the Norfolk and Southern Railroad to purchase or consolidate with other railroads, was taken up,

read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. FOSTER (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. FOSTER moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 91, Senate bill for the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company, and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, under the name of the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. MAYNARD, the bill was recommitted to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 105, Senate bill to authorize the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company of Virginia to change its name, and to increase the number of its directors and officers; to authorize said company to increase its capital stock, and to issue bonds and secure the same by one or more mortgages, and to authorize the leasing by it and the consolidation therewith of other corporations; and otherwise to enlarge its powers, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. McILWAINE offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 162, Senate bill to authorize the town of Scottsville to contribute towards the erection of a bridge across James river, at or near said town, and to negotiate a loan and issue its bonds for that purpose, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. MORRIS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented the following resolution:

Resolved (the House of Delegates concurring), That a committee of five—two on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House—be appointed to consider the practicability of a rearrangement of the judicial circuits of this State, to take effect January 1, 1902; and further, as to how said courts shall be held, whether in rotation or otherwise; and they may report by bill or otherwise and suggest such rearrangement as they may deem expedient, with the salaries of the respective judges.

Which was agreed to.

And on his motion, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. JENNINGS, who informed the Senate that that House had agreed to the joint resolution, which has for its object the election of a corporation judge for the city of Lynchburg.

The hour of 1 o'clock having arrived, a message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PRIDDY, who informed the Senate that the House was ready on its part to proceed with the execution of the joint order.

Ordered that Mr. GLASS inform the House of Delegates that the Senate was ready on its part to proceed.

For judge of the corporation court of the city of Lynchburg, Mr. GLASS nominated Frank P. Christian.

There being no additional nominations, it was ordered that Mr. MASSIE inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. JENNINGS, who informed the Senate that no additional nominations had been made in that House.

The roll was called with the following result:

For Frank P. Christian, - - - 30

Senators who voted for FRANK P. CHRISTIAN are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—30.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. GLASS and CLAYTOR as the committee on the part of the Senate to meet a similar committee on the part of the House of Delegates to count the joint vote, who through their chairman, Mr. GLASS, reported:

For judge of the corporation court of the city of Lynchburg:

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	100
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	51
Of which Frank P. Christian received,	-	-	100

Frank P. Christian having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the corporation court of the city of Lynchburg for the legal term of that office.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 9, 1900.

President *pro tem.* H. T. WICKHAM, in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. J. J. Gravatt.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 8, 1900.

The House of Delegates has refused to concur in the Senate amendments to House bill to legalize primary elections and conventions in the counties of Culpeper, Rockbridge and Botetourt, No. 32.

They have passed Senate bills entitled an act for the relief of George W. Koontz, treasurer of Shenandoah county, and to authorize the auditor of public accounts to credit said treasurer with lost school warrant, No. 79; an act for the protection of fish in Reed Creek in Bedford county for two years from this date and providing penalty for violation of the same, No. 112; an act to permit C. W. Grandy, of the city of Norfolk, to erect, maintain and rebuild a wharf on James River in Charles City county, Virginia, No. 132; an act to permit C. W. Grandy, of Norfolk, Virginia, to erect and maintain a wharf on James River in Charles City county, Virginia, opposite the land called Kennons or Nelsons Landing, No. 133; an act to amend the charter of the Old Dominion Building and Loan Association of Richmond, Virginia, granted by the judge of the circuit court of Richmond, Virginia, in vacation January 18, 1890, as amended by the order of the circuit court of the city of Richmond, entered August 1, 1890, and to change the name of the said corporation and to grant it the power of a trust, guarantee and safe deposit company, No. 16.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to allow W. D. Gay to obtain license to practice law in the Virginia courts, No. 96; an act to authorize the superintendents of the State hospitals for the insane to grant furloughs to inmates thereof, No. 97; an act to amend and re-enact an act to amend and re-enact section 3319 of chapter 163 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the appointment of commissioners in chancery in Russell county, No. 99; an act to permit E. E. Slight to erect a wharf on Back Creek, in the county of York, No. 100; an act to amend and re-enact sections 94 and 97 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896, and creating the office of city attorney, and authorizing the common council to fill said office, No. 101; an act to authorize the council of the town of Woodstock to issue bonds and borrow money for the purpose of establishing a system of water works in said town, and for other purposes, No. 102; an act to declare Rapidan river a lawful fence from Liberty Mills to the line of Greene county, No. 103; an act to authorize Barbour district school board, in Orange county, to transfer \$500 of its surplus fund to the county school board, No. 104; an act allowing Joseph T. Fudge, treasurer of Alleghany county, and his deputies further time within which to distrain, levy and collect certain tax tickets and license taxes for which he

has heretofore accounted to the State, No. 105; an act to authorize the Richmond Standard Steel Spike and Iron Company to construct a railway across the county road in Dunlap's Creek valley, in Alleghany county, upon such terms as may be prescribed by the board of supervisors of Alleghany county, No. 106; and an act to incorporate the Colonial Coal and Coke Company, No. 109.

In which they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 96, House bill to permit W. D. Gay to obtain license to practice law in Virginia courts, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 97, House bill to authorize the superintendents of the State hospitals for the insane to grant furloughs to the inmates thereof, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 99, House bill to amend and re-enact an act to amend and re-enact section 3319 of chapter 163 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the appointment of commissioners in chancery in Russell county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 100, House bill to permit E. E. Slaight to erect a wharf on Back creek, in the county of York, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 101, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 94 and 97 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896; and creating the office of city attorney and authorizing the common council to fill said office, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 102, House bill to authorize the council of the town of Woodstock to issue bonds and borrow money for the purpose of establishing a system of water-works in said town, and for other purposes, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. Lupton (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 103, House bill to declare Rapidan river a lawful fence from Liberty Mills to the line of Greene county; was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 104, House bill to authorize Barbour district school board in Orange county to transfer \$500 of its surplus fund to the county school board, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 105, House bill allowing Joseph T. Fudge, treasurer of Alleghany county, and his deputies, further time within which to distrain, levy, and collect certain tax tickets and license taxes for

which he has heretofore accounted to the State, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 106, House bill to authorize the Richmond Standard Steel Spike and Iron Company to construct a railway across the county road in Dunlap's Creek Valley, in Alleghany county, upon such terms as may be prescribed by the board of supervisors of Alleghany county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 109, House bill to incorporate The Colonial Coal and Coke Company, was taken up, twice read, and, on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported with amendment

No. 1, House bill to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue.

He, from the same committee, reported with recommendation that it do not pass

No. 115, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3518 and section 3519 of the Code of Virginia in relation to fee bills, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 18, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3518 and 3519 of the Code of Virginia, so as to empower county treasurers to collect fee bills.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 127, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 614 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 5, 1888, in relation to the compensation of county and city treasurers.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and town, reported without amendment

No. 84, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 1, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act entitled an act to amend the charter and extend and define the boundaries of the city of Norfolk, approved April 6, 1887, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 5, 6 and 13 of an act to amend the charter and extend and define the boundaries of the city, approved April 6, 1887, approved March 3, 1890.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment No. 72, Senate bill to authorize the common council of the city of Winchester to borrow money and to issue bonds.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 120, Senate bill to prevent the pollution of the waters of Goose creek and tributaries thereto, in the county of Bedford, by persons or corporations engaged in mining or digging out iron ore or other like minerals, and providing penalties for violation of same.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 114, Senate bill to provide for the erection and maintaining of watering troughs for the use of horses and cattle on the public roads of this Commonwealth, and providing penalties for injury and destruction of same.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 81, Senate bill to amend and re-enact chapter 387 of the Acts of 1889-'90, approved February 23, 1890, entitled an act to increase the salary of the judge of Tazewell county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 68, House bill to change the name of Newport News creek, located in the city of Newport News, and to call the same Newport river.

And he, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 51, House bill to incorporate the town of Phoebus, in Elizabeth City county.

Mr. BLAKEY, by leave, presented

No. 177, A bill for the relief of Thomas H. Durham, a needy Confederate soldier, of Essex county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 178, A bill to amend and re-enact section 4077 of the Code of Virginia, in regard to the safekeeping of persons under sentence for crime; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 179, A bill to repeal chapter 81 of the Code and to repeal an act approved February 29, 1898, entitled "An act to further define the duties and enlarge the powers of the commissioner of agriculture; an act approved March 5, 1888, entitled an act to provide for a board of agriculture of Virginia and making appropriation therefor," and to reform the department of agriculture, provide for the appointment of a commissioner and board of agriculture, define the duties of the commissioner and board; to regulate the sale and purity of commercial fertilizer and impose a tax on said fertilizer; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 180, A bill to amend and re-enact section 494 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to lists furnished tax-payers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. GLASS, by leave (by request), presented

No. 181, A bill to incorporate the Samaritan Endowment Association; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 28, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3351 of the Code of Virginia, and to provide how party having adverse interest or an adverse witness may be examined, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 29, House bill giving courts of law jurisdiction over suits on lost past-due bonds, notes, or other written evidence of debt, and enabling said courts to require the party in whose favor the judgment may be rendered to execute proper indemnifying bond before execution is issued, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendment agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 42, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 186 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the increase of salaries of judges of certain cities, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 4, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3057 of the Code, in relation to judicial circuits and to abolish the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 118, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 613 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to compensation of treasurers for receiving and paying over revenue, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. FAIRFAX, recommitted to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 147, Senate bill to repeal an act approved February 2, 1898, entitled an act to provide for working a certain road in Fairfax county, and to make applicable thereto the provisions of an act approved February 20, 1896, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 173, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 62 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 174, Senate bill to regulate the killing, capturing, hunting, buying, or selling, or offering for sale, of partridges and wild tur-

keys in the county of Dinwiddie, and to prohibit the catching of the same in traps or nets, and to prohibit the taking or destruction of eggs of same in said county, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. OPIE, the committee on county, city and town was discharged from further consideration of Senate bill 82, and that the bill be referred to the committee for courts of justice; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. HARTLEY, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. J. J. Gravatt.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 9, 1900.

The House of Delegates has agreed to a resolution in regard to the rearrangement of the judicial circuits of the State.

It has passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact the 7th section of an act entitled an act to provide for the reorganization of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and Blind, and to repeal chapter 74 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal chapter 226 of the Acts of Assembly, entitled an act to regulate the appointment of the board of directors of the Deaf, Dumb, and Blind Institute at Staunton, Va., approved May 14, 1887, approved March 4, 1896, as amended by chapter 244 of Acts of Assembly 1897-'98, approved February 8, 1898, No. 110; an act to amend and re-enact an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved February 12, 1892, entitled an act to make the bridge at Shenandoah, Va., a toll-bridge, No. 112; an act to amend section 62 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, No. 113; an act to amend an re-enact section 14 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896, No. 115; an act for relief of Battery "C," First battalion artillery Virginia volunteers, Norfolk and Virginia Beach Railway, Dr. R. S. Spilman, C. R. Warren, and W. E. Simons, for services rendered in

aid of civil authorities of Virginia in preventing the spread of yellow fever, No. 98.

In which it respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 110, House bill to amend and re-enact the seventh section of an act entitled an act to provide for the reorganization of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and Blind, and to repeal chapter 74 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal chapter 226 of the Acts of Assembly, entitled an act to regulate the appointment of the Board of Directors of the Deaf, Dumb, and Blind Institute, at Staunton, Va., approved May 14, 1887, approved March 4, 1896, as amended by chapter 244 of Acts of Assembly, 1897-98, approved February 8, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 112, House bill to amend and re-enact an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved February 12, 1892, entitled an act to make the bridge at Shenandoah, Virginia, a toll bridge, &c., was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. KEEZELL (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 113, House bill to amend section 62 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and provide a charter therefor, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 115, House bill to amend and re-enact section 14 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 98, House bill to provide for the relief of battery "C," first battalion artillery, Virginia volunteers (Grimes battery), Norfolk and Virginia Beach Railway Company, Dr. R. S. Spilman, C. R. Warren, W. E. Simons, for services rendered in aid of the civil authorities of the Commonwealth of Virginia in preventing the spread of yellow fever, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment

No. 138, Senate bill for the relief of C. B. Gibson, of Lee county, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 89, Senate bill for the relief of Dr. W. M. Janney.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported with an amendment to a substitute for

No. 91, Senate bill for the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company, and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, under the name of the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee substitute agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. MAYNARD (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed.

And on his further motion, the title was amended so as to read as follows:

An act for the creation of a corporation to be known as the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company, by the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company, and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, and to define its powers.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 86, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 12 of an act entitled an act to enlarge the powers of the Richmond Traction Company, approved January 12, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 150, Senate bill to incorporate the Charlotte County Railway Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 153, Senate bill to provide for the decrease of the nominal amount of the common capital stock of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 142, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Southside Railway and Development Company, approved March 3, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 151, Senate bill authorizing the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina Railroad Company, as successor of the Virginia and Carolina Railroad Company, to exercise the franchises, powers and privileges of the Virginia and Carolina Railroad Company, to change its name, and to possess and exercise general powers, and authorize leases, purchases, sales or consolidations between it and other railroad or transportation companies, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to.

Mr. MAYNARD offered an amendment; which was agreed to.

Ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 164, Senate bill to incorporate Big Sandy and Cumberland Railroad Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 152, Senate bill to provide for the reduction of the capital stock and the issue of special stock of the Southern Railway Company, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 106, House bill to authorize the Richmond Standard Steel Spike and Iron Company to construct a railway across the county road in Dunlap's Creek Valley, in Alleghany county, upon such terms as may be prescribed by the board of supervisors of Alleghany county.

Mr. BARKSDALE rose to a question of personal privilege in reference to publication in the Times in reference to his remarks before the House committee on officers and offices at the Capitol, in discussing the bill to abolish the Register of the Land Office, and stated that it was erroneous.

Mr. LURON, by leave, presented the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate of Virginia, (the House of Delegates concurring), That the clerk of the House and keeper of the rolls be, and he is hereby directed to instruct the enrolling clerk to transmit all bills, passed by the General Assembly, to the Governor for his appropriate action, immediately upon their enrollment and examination by the committee on enrolled bills, which was agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 182, A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Union University, approved March 4, 1896, and to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Richmond Institute in the city of Richmond, approved February 5, 1886; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 183, A bill to incorporate the Virginia Conference Orphanage of the Methodist Episcopal Church South; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. LE CATO, by leave, presented

No. 184, A bill to incorporate the Imperial Union of the city of Richmond; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. OPIE, by leave, presented

No. 185, A bill for the relief of John W. Weaver, a disabled

Confederate soldier, of Augusta county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 186, A bill to provide when a jury shall be kept together in a civil case and how the expense shall be paid; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 187, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3426 of the Code of Virginia relating to interlocutory decrees and orders in vacation; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 188, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3427 of the Code of Virginia providing how a chancery cause shall be submitted for a decree in vacation, &c.; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 189, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3385 of the Code of Virginia relating to a bill of exception; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 190, A bill to direct and authorize county and corporation courts to strike from the list of lands returned delinquent for non-payment of taxes, levys, &c., such as are erroneously thereon; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 191, A bill to authorize and empower chancery courts to confirm sales of land when the purchase price is not sufficient to pay off the liens of taxes, levys and assessments returned delinquent, apportion the proceeds between State, counties and corporations, and to make valid and firm any sales heretofore made; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 192, A bill to amend section 2940 of the Code of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. WHITEHEAD, by leave, presented

No. 193, A bill authorizing the county and corporation courts of the State of Virginia to correct delinquent land lists in the clerk's office of their respective counties, cities and towns, and to remove therefrom any lands improperly thereon, whether sold and purchased by the Commonwealth of Virginia or not; which, on

his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WHITHEAD, by leave, presented

No. 194, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2494 of the Code of Virginia, 1887, as amended by an act approved February 29, 1892, in relation to lien on crops for advances to farmers; nature of agreement therefor; where and in what manner docketed, and the effect thereof; and the manner of enforcing such lien; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. WHITHEAD, by leave, presented

No. 195, A bill to amend and re-enact section 1468 of the Code of Virginia, 1887, relating to the incorporation, naming and numbering of the several school districts of the counties of this State, and the powers of the same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. TATE, by leave, presented

No. 196, A bill for the relief of John A. Barnitz, of Wythe county, Virginia, from the payment of a fine; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WALKER, by leave (by request), presented

No. 197, A bill to authorize the Carter Creek Fish Guano Company to erect a wharf on Carter's Creek, in Lancaster county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No. 198, A bill to provide for working the public roads and repairing and building bridges in Caroline county, and to raise revenue for the same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 199, A bill to prescribe the manner in which the Mutual Assurance Society against fire on buildings in the State of Virginia shall deposit its moneys and invest its surplus funds; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. KEEZELL presented resolutions of S. B. Gibbons Camp, No. 438, Confederate veterans, with reference to an investigation of the Soldiers' Home; which was referred to the special committee on soldiers' home.

No. 1, House bill to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code

of Virginia in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue; as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to.

Mr. HARTLEY offered an amendment; which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. FEATHERSTON, who informed the Senate that the House had passed, with an amendment,

No. 52, Senate bill to define a lawful fence for the county of Campbell.

The bill was subsequently taken up.

Mr. GLASS moved to concur in amendment; which was agreed to.

No. 51, House bill to incorporate the town of Phoebus, in Elizabeth City county, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

And on motion of Mr. TYLER, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 173, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 62 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. TYLER, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

No. 84, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act, approved March 1, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act entitled an act to amend the charter and extend and define the boundaries of the city of Norfolk, approved April 6, 1887, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 5, 6 and 13 of an act to amend the charter and extend and define the boundaries of the city, approved April 6, 1887, approved March 3, 1890, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. FOSTER (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 72, Senate bill to authorize the common council of the city of Winchester to borrow money and to issue bonds, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. LUPRON (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 120, Senate bill to prevent the pollution of the waters of Goose creek and tributaries thereto, in the county of Bedford, by persons or corporations engaged in mining or digging out iron ore or other like minerals, and providing penalties for violation of same, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 81, Senate bill to amend and re-enact chapter 387 of the Acts of 1889-90, approved February 23, 1890, entitled an act to increase the salary of the judge of Tazewell county, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. KEEZELL, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. J. J. Gravatt.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 10, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 186 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the increase of salaries of judges of certain cities, No. 42; an act to amend and re-enact section 2465 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 4, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, in relation to contracts, deeds, &c., that are void as to creditors and purchasers unless recorded, No. 49; an act to incorporate the Virginia Conference Orphanage of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, No. 183; and an act to amend and re-enact section 1 of chapter 129 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved February 28, 1890, entitled an act to prescribe the time for holding the courts of the seventeenth judicial circuit, as amended by an act approved February 16, 1892, and further amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, No. 137.

It has passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 717 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 1, 1898, relating to fines and costs before justices of the peace, No. 107; an act to authorize the county school board of Hanover county to pay the treasurer of said county two per cent. for disbursing the school fund of said county, No. 116; an act

authorizing the councils of the city of Norfolk to appoint a collector of delinquent personal taxes for the city of Norfolk, and fixing his duties, powers, term of office, and compensation, No. 117; an act to exonerate, relieve, and forever discharge James P. Keith from the payment of two fines and costs, namely: \$25 fine and \$4.95 costs; \$5 fine and \$6.95 costs, imposed on him by G. G. Isaacs, a justice of the peace of Russell county, No. 119; an act for the relief of John C. Heinbuch from erroneous assessment of land in Alexandria county, No. 120; an act to incorporate the Southern Investment Company, No. 123; an act to ratify, confirm and amend the charter of the Norfolk County Water Company, and to give it additional powers, No. 124; an act to amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code, in relation to fish-ladders, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code of 1887, touching fish-ladders, approved January 14, 1890, No. 125; an act to amend and re-enact section 3073 of the Code, in relation to the terms of the hustings court of the city of Richmond, No. 126; and an act for the relief of A. W. McKin, treasurer of Page county, No. 127.

It has agreed to the amendment of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to incorporate the town of Phoebus, in Elizabeth City county, Virginia, No. 51.

In which it respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 107, House bill to amend and re-enact section 717 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 1, 1898, relating to fines and costs before justices of the peace, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 116, House bill to authorize the county school board of Hanover county to pay the treasurer of said county two per centum for disbursing the school fund of said county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 119, House bill to exonerate, relieve, and forever discharge James P. Keith from the payment of two fines and costs, namely: \$25 fine and \$4.95 costs, \$5 fine and \$6.95 costs, imposed on him by G. G. Isaacs, a justice of the peace of Russell county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 120, House bill for the relief of John C. Heinbuch from erroneous assessment of land in Alexandria county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 123, House bill to incorporate the Southern Investment Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 124, House bill to ratify, confirm, and amend the charter of the Norfolk County Water Company, and to give it additional powers, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 125, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code, in relation to fish-ladders, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to emend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code of 1887, touching fish-ladders, approved January 14, 1890, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 126, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3073 of the Code, in relation to the terms of the hustings court of the city of Richmond, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 127, House bill for the relief of A. W. McKin, treasurer of Page county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GOLD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 117, House bill authorizing the councils of the city of Norfolk to appoint a collector of delinquent personal taxes for the city of Norfolk, and fixing his duties, powers, term of office and compensation, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, asked that the committee be discharged from the further consideration of Senate bill 131, and that the same be referred to the committee on finance and banks; which was agreed to.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 75, House bill to enable the city of Fredericksburg to enforce the collection of delinquent taxes and levies due the city against real estate sold by the State and bought by the auditor for delinquent State taxes.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 82, House bill to amend and re-enact section seven hundred and fifty-three of the Code of Virginia, relating to State depositories.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 108, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 647 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to what real estate exempt from taxation.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 122, Senate bill proposing an amendment to section 1 of article 3 of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for publishing said amendment and certifying the same to the next General Assembly.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 131, Senate bill to authorize the National Mutual Church Insurance Company to transact business in Virginia free from taxation.

Mr. OPIK, from the committee on county, city and town, reported without amendment

No. 103, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Chase City, in the county of Mecklenburg, approved April 1, 1873, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1886, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 31, 1890.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 170, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Shenandoah county, in their discretion, to levy a tax not exceeding twenty cents on the one hundred dollars of the taxable value of said county for public school purposes.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 171, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Frederick county, in their discretion, to levy a tax not exceeding twenty cents on the one hundred dollars of the taxable value of said county for public school purposes.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 69, House bill for the issue of \$50,000 of bonds for the establishment and equipment of proper school buildings for the city of Newport News.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 80, House bill to amend section 1, chapter 517, Acts 1897-'98, to prevent hogs from running at large in the county of Russell.

Mr. LE CARO, from the committee on fish and game, reported without amendment

No. 155, Senate bill to re-enact an act entitled an act for the protection of fish in Frederick county, approved February 20, 1894.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 25, House bill to regulate the hunting or capturing of part-ridges (or quail) in the county of Princess Anne.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 200, A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to acquire by purchase or condemnation land in the city of Portsmouth, to be used for the clerk's office of Norfolk county court; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 201, A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing additional real estate for the use of the "Norfolk County Ferries," and for enlarging the clerk's office; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 202, A bill to amend and re-enact section 20 of an act enti-

filed an act to incorporate the town of Berkley, in the county of Norfolk, approved March 3, 1890, and as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 24, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 203, A bill for the protection of fish in Gunstock creek, Bedford county, Va.; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read a second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 204, A bill to validate certain contracts made and entered into by and between the Nottoway Building and Loan Association and its members; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. ДОНОHOЕ, by leave, presented

No. 205, A bill to exempt and except the city of Alexandria from the operation of section 1040 of the Code of Virginia of 1887; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. ДОНОHOЕ, by leave, presented

No. 206, A bill to amend and re-enact the 17th section of the charter of the city of Alexandria, approved February 20, 1871, as amended by an act approved March 22, 1871, and by an act approved March 17, 1876, and by an act approved March 20, 1877, and by an act approved January 25, 1879, and by an act approved March 1, 1888, and by an act approved February 25, 1892, and by an act approved February 26, 1894, and by an act approved March 1, 1894, and by an act approved March 8, 1894, and by an act approved February 27, 1896, and by acts approved March 3, 1896, and by an act approved March 4, 1896, and by an act approved February 7, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. ДОНОHOЕ, by leave, presented

No. 207, A bill to amend and re-enact the 18th section of the charter of the city of Alexandria, approved February 20, 1871, as amended by an act approved March 22, 1871, and by an act approved March 17, 1876, and by an act approved March 20, 1877, and by an act approved January 25, 1879, and by an act approved

March 1, 1888, and by an act approved February 25, 1892, and by an act approved February 26, 1894, and by an act approved March 1, 1894, and by an act approved March 8, 1894, and by an act approved February 27, 1896, and by acts approved March 3, 1896, and by an act approved March 4, 1896, and by an act approved February 7, 1898; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. BLAKEY, by leave, presented

No. 208, A bill to allow Peyton Hundley to erect a pier in Rapahannock river, and to build a house thereon; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. BLAKEY, by leave, presented

No. 209, A bill for the relief of Mrs. Virginia F. Gayle, the widow of a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 210, A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Dickenson county to appoint a commissioner to settle with ex-officials of said county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave (by request), presented

No. 211, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the circuit and corporation courts of this Commonwealth to render judgments against receivers and commissioners and purchasers at judicial sales, and their sureties in certain cases; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave (by request), presented

No. 212, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3570 of chapter 174 of the Code of Virginia, 1887, in relation to judgment not a lien against purchaser for value without notice unless docketed; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 213, A bill declaring certain streams in Powhatan county to be highways; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 214, A bill to amend section 3 of the charter granted the Manchester Paper and Twine Company by the judge of the hustings court of the city of Manchester on the 30th day of May, 1891, during the vacation of said court, so as to authorize said company to issue twenty-one thousand, five hundred dollars of its second

mortgage bonds, and a like amount of its authorized capital stock at a price or for a consideration below the par value of said bonds and stock, in payment for the repair and restoration of its plant, and to declare the stock so issued fully paid and non-assessable; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. COGBILL moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. LE CATO, by leave, presented

No. 215, A bill to incorporate the Eastern Shore of Virginia Produce Exchange; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 32, House bill to legalize primary elections and conventions in the counties of Culpeper, Rockbridge, and Botetourt, was taken up, and the Senate refused to recede from its amendments, and the Senate asked for a conference on the amendments rejected by the House of Delegates; which was agreed to, and the Senate appointed Messrs. OPIE and JEFFRIES as a committee on the part of the Senate.

No. 68, House bill to change the name of Newport News creek, located in the city of Newport News, and to call the same Newport river, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER, recommitted to the committee.

No. 112, House bill to amend and re-enact an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved February 12, 1892, entitled an act to make the bridge at Shenandoah, Virginia, a toll-bridge, &c., was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 106, House bill to authorize the Richmond Standard Steel Spike and Iron Company to construct a railway across the county road in Dunlap's Creek Valley, in Alleghany county, upon such terms as may be prescribed by the board of supervisors of Alleghany county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 120, Senate bill to prevent the pollution of the waters of Goose creek and tributaries thereto, in the county of Bedford, by persons or corporations engaged in mining or digging out iron ore or other like minerals, and providing penalties for violation of same; was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 81, Senate bill to amend and re-enact chapter 387 of the acts of 1889-90, approved February 23, 1890, entitled an act to increase the salary of the judge of Tazewell county, was taken up, read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 138, House bill for the relief of C. B. Gibson, of Lee county, was taken up, read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. BRUCE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 151, Senate bill authorizing the Richmond, Petersburg and Carolina Railroad Company, as successor of the Virginia and Carolina Railroad Company, to exercise the franchises, powers and privileges of the Virginia and Carolina Railroad Company, to change its name, and to possess and exercise general powers, and authorize leases, purchases, sales or consolidations between it and other railroad or transportation companies, was taken up, read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 152, Senate bill to provide for the reduction of the capital stock and the issue of special stock of the Southern Railway Company, was taken up, read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. MUNFORD moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 153, Senate bill to provide for the decrease of the nominal amount of the common capital stock of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, was taken up, read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 127, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 614 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 5, 1888, in relation to the compensation of county and city treasurers, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. JAMES (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed.

And on his further motion, title was amended so as to read as follows:

"An act to amend and re-enact section 614 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 29, 1888, as amended by an act approved March 5, 1888, in relation to the compensation of county and city treasurers."

No. 115, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3518 and section 3519 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to fee bills, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 18, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3518 and 3519 of the Code of Virginia, so as to empower county treasurers to collect fee bills, was taken up, read the second time, and, on motion of Mr. CLAYTOR, was recommitted to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 114, Senate bill to provide for the erection and maintaining of watering troughs for the use of horses and cattle on the public roads of this Commonwealth, and providing penalties for injury and destruction of same, was taken up, read the second time, several amendments were proposed, and, on motion of Mr. CLAYTOR, the bill was recommitted to the committee on county, city and town organization.

No. 86, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 12 of an act

entitled "an act to enlarge the powers of the Richmond Traction Company," approved January 12, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 89, Senate bill for the relief of Dr. W. M. Janney, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 150, Senate bill to incorporate the Charlotte County Railway Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 164, Senate bill to incorporate Big Sandy and Cumberland Railroad Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 182, Senate bill to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Union University, approved March 4, 1896, and to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Richmond Institute, in the city of Richmond, approved February 5, 1886, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 197, Senate bill to authorize the Carter's Creek Fish-Guano Company to erect a wharf on Carter's creek, in Lancaster county, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WALKER (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALKER moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 89, House bill to provide a new charter for the town of Abingdon, Virginia, and to repeal all other acts with reference thereto.

Mr. STEELE moved that the committee on county, city and town organization be discharged from the further consideration of the bill; which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, twice read.

Mr. STEELE offered an amendment, which was agreed to, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. STEELE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 199, Senate bill to prescribe the manner in which the Mutual Assurance Society against fire on buildings in the State of Virginia shall deposit its moneys and invest its surplus funds, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. SANDS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

On motion of Mr. WALKER, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. J. J. Gravatt.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, January 11, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to authorize the Norfolk and Southern Railroad to purchase or consolidate other railroad properties and franchises and to sell its own, No. 29; an act to amend section 2498 of the Code of Virginia, as heretofore amended, in relation to the release and satisfaction of liens, No. 106.

It has passed with amendments the following Senate bills entitled an act to incorporate the Great Falls and Old Dominion Railway Company, No. 14; an act to authorize the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company of Virginia to change its name, and to increase the number of its directors and officers; to authorize said company to increase its capital stock and to issue bonds and secure the same by one or more mortgages, and to authorize the leasing by it and the consolidation therewith of other corporations, and otherwise enlarge its powers, No. 105.

It has agreed to a joint resolution in relation to copies of Muster and Pay Rolls of Virginia troops in the Revolutionary war.

It has passed House bills entitled an act to charter Rawling's Institute, No. 129; an act to amend and re-enact section 2229 of the Code of Virginia, relating to certificates to be issued by clerk with marriage license, the return to be made by person celebrating the marriage, No. 135; an act to amend and re-enact an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in the county of Richmond, No. 137; an act defining a lawful fence for Charlemont District, Bedford county, No. 138; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to prevent shooting or killing game at night in the counties of Charles City, Prince George, New Kent, Henrico and James City, No. 140; an act to grant to C. W. Powers, late treasurer of Dickenson county, further time to make sale of delinquent lands, No. 122.

In which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 129, House bill to charter Rawling's Institute, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 135, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2229 of the Code of Virginia, relating to certificates to be issued by the clerk

with marriage license, the return to be made by person celebrating the marriage, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 137, House bill to amend and re-enact an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in the county of Richmond, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 138, House bill defining a lawful fence for Charlemont district, Bedford county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. CLAYTOR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 140, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to prevent shooting or killing game at night in the counties of Charles City, Prince George, New Kent, Henrico, and James City, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 122, House bill to grant C. W. Powers, late treasurer of Dickenson county, further time to make sale of delinquent lands, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 105, Senate bill to authorize the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad Company of Virginia to change its name, and to increase the number of its directors and officers; to authorize said company to increase its capital stock, and to issue bonds and secure the same by one or more mortgages, and to authorize the leasing by it and the consolidation therewith of other corporations, and otherwise to enlarge its powers, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE, amendments proposed by the House of Delegates were agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 14, Senate bill to incorporate the Great Falls and Old Dominion Railway Company, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE, the amendments proposed by the House of Delegates were agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. JEFFRIES, from the committee on privileges and elections, reported without amendment

No. 13, House bill to amend and re enact an act entitled an act to legalize primary elections and conventions in the counties of Clarke and Warren, approved March 2, 1898.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported with a substitute

No. 20, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3680 of Code, in regard to rape.

He, from the same committee, reported with a substitute

No. 21, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3888 of the Code of Virginia, 1887, entitled "how attempts to commit offences punished."

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 41, Senate bill in relation to the effect of evidence in suits upon insurance policy as to immaterial allegations in the policy.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 82, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved December 21, 1891, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3044 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to counties and districts of county judge.

And he from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 96, Senate bill to validate sales of certain infants' land.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. MANN (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MANN moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment

No. 123, House bill entitled an act to incorporate the Southern Investment Company.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 216, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Laurel Railway Company, approved February 9, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 217, A bill to provide for the erection and maintaining of watering troughs for the use of horses and cattle on the public roads of the county of Bedford, and providing penalties for injury and destruction of same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 218, A bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 19, 1880, entitled an act to amend an act approved February 3, 1891, entitled an act to authorize the city of Portsmouth to lease out the ends of certain streets; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 219, A bill to amend and re-enact section 17 of the charter of the city of Portsmouth, approved March 6, 1882, as amended

by an act approved February 24, 1894, and as amended by an act approved January 27, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 220, A bill to authorize the council of the city of Portsmouth to issue bonds to continue the paving and grading of the streets, for the erection of a public building in said city, and to redeem certain paving bonds; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 221, A bill giving the consent of the State of Virginia to the purchase or acquisition by the government of the United States of so much land as may be necessary for a public building in the city of Portsmouth; to sell to the government, for that purpose, a certain piece of real estate now held by said city; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. FOSTER, by leave, presented

No. 222, A bill requiring parties suing out attachments or garnishee process to give bond; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. STEELE, by leave, presented

No. 223, A bill to prevent the pollution of water courses in Washington county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. LE CATO, by leave, presented

No. 224, A bill in relation to the power, duties and compensation of the State Board of Health; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. BLAKEY, by leave, presented

No. 225, A bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Mathews county, their successors in office, or their agent to bid for and purchase certain real estate, now advertised for sale by the sheriff of Mathews county, belonging to Walter Hudgins, Elijah Buchanan, W. J. Callis and Laban Hudgins, and if they should purchase to re-sell and make to the purchaser a good and valid deed; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 226, A bill to authorize the delivery to the Union Theological Seminary of the memorials of Hanover Presbytery to the House of Burgesses of 1774, and the Legislature of 1776, on the

subject of Religious Liberty; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on library.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 227, A bill to prevent the property in the possession of common carriers and in transitu or outside of the county or corporation where the process is issued, from being held upon attachment, garnishment, or summons on suggestion; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 228, A bill to authorize the Jefferson Davis Monument Association to transfer and deliver all its funds, assets and property to the United Daughters of the Confederacy; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 25, House bill to regulate the hunting or capturing of part-ridges (or quail) in the county of Princess Anne, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. TATE, leave of absence was granted Mr. WATKINS until next Tuesday.

No. 75, House bill to enable the city of Fredericksburg to enforce the collection of delinquent taxes and levies due the city against real estate sold by the State and bought by the auditor for delinquent State taxes, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALLACE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 80, House bill to amend section 1, chapter 517, Acts 1897-'98, to prevent hogs from running at large in the county of Russell, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 69, House bill for the issue of \$50,000 of bonds for the establishment and equipment of proper school buildings for the city of Newport News, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 116, House bill to authorize the county school board of Hanover county to pay the treasurer of said county two per centum for disbursing the school fund of said county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 126, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3073 of the Code, in relation to the terms of the hustings court of the city of Richmond, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 86, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 12 of an act entitled "an act to enlarge the powers of the Richmond Traction Company," approved January 12, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 89, Senate bill for the relief of Dr. W. M. Janney, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 150, Senate bill to incorporate the Charlotte County Railway Company, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 208, Senate bill to allow Peyton Hundley to erect a pier in the Rappahannock river and build a house thereon.

On motion of Mr. BLAKEY, the committee on general laws was discharged from further consideration of the bill.

The bill was then taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 182, Senate bill to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Union University, approved March 4, 1896, and to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Richmond Institute, in the city of Richmond, approved February 5, 1886, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 142, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Southside Railway and Development Company, approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 215, Senate bill to incorporate the Eastern Shore of Virginia Produce Exchange, was taken up.

Mr. LE CATO moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was placed on the calendar, which was agreed to.

No. 201, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing additional real estate for the use of the Norfolk county ferries and for enlarging the clerk's office, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 200, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, land in the city of Portsmouth to be used for the clerk's office of Norfolk county court, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 202, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 20 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Berkley, in the county of Norfolk, approved March 3, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 24, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 205, Senate bill to exempt and except the city of Alexandria from the operation of section 1040 of the Code of Virginia of 1887,

was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE, the bill committed to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 206, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 17 of the charter of the city of Alexandria, approved February 20, 1871, as amended by an act approved March 22, 1871, and by an act approved March 17, 1876, and by an act approved March 20, 1877, and by an act approved January 25, 1879, and by an act approved March 1, 1888, and by an act approved February 25, 1892, and by an act approved February 26, 1894, and by an act approved March 1, 1894, and by an act approved March 8, 1894, and by an act approved February 27, 1896, and by acts approved March 3, 1896, and by an act approved March 4, 1896, and by an act approved February 7, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 207, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 18 of the charter of the city of Alexandria, approved February 20, 1871, as amended by an act approved March 22, 1871, and by an act approved March 17, 1876, and by an act approved March 20, 1877, and by an act approved January 25, 1879, and by an act approved March 1, 1888, and by an act approved February 25, 1892, and by an act approved February 26, 1894, and by an act approved March 1, 1894, and by an act approved March 8, 1894, and by an act approved February 27, 1896, and by acts approved March 3, 1896, and by an act approved March 4, 1896, and by an act approved February 7, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 103, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Chase City, in the county of Mecklenburg, approved April 1, 1873, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1886, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 31, 1890, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 108, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 457 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to what real estate exempt from taxation; was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 122, Senate bill proposing an amendment to section 1 of Article 3 of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for publishing said amendment and certifying the same to the next General Assembly, was taken up, and, on motion of Mr. LE CATO, was made the special and continuing order for Tuesday, January 16, at 1 o'clock P. M.

No. 131, Senate bill to authorize the National Mutual Church Insurance Company to transact business in Virginia free from taxation, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 155, Senate bill to re-enact an act entitled an act for the protection of fish in Frederick county, approved February 20, 1894,

was taken up, read a second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. LUPRON (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 170, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Shenandoah county, in their discretion, to levy a tax not exceeding twenty cents on the one hundred dollars of the taxable value of said county for public school purposes, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 171, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Frederick county, in their discretion, to levy a tax not exceeding twenty cents on one hundred dollars of the taxable value of said county for public school purposes, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. CLAYTOR, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. J. J. Gravatt.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 12, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend section 3 of the charter granted the Manchester Paper Twine Company, by the judge of the hustings court of the city of Manchester, on the 30th day of May, 1891, during the vacation of said court, so as to authorize said company to issue twenty-one thousand five hundred dollars of its second mortgage bonds and a like amount of its authorized capital stock at a price or for a consideration below the par value of said bonds and stock, in payment for the repair and restoration of its plant, and to declare the stock so issued fully paid and non-assessable, No. 214; an act for the protection of fish in Gunstock creek, Bedford county, Virginia, No. 203; an act to amend and re-enact chapter 387 of the Acts of 1889-'90, approved February 23, 1890, entitled an act to increase the salary of the judge of Tazewell county, No. 81; an act to authorize the Carter's Creek Fish and Guano Company to erect a wharf on Carter's creek, in Lancaster county, No. 197; an act to amend and re-enact an act to declare Clinch river and Clinch mountain a lawful fence in the county of Russell, approved March

3, 1898, No. 38; and an act to amend and re-enact section 10 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act to incorporate the town of Dayton, approved March 9, 1880, and all acts amendatory thereof, approved February 29, 1892, No. 139.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, No. 1; an act to provide a new charter for the town of Abingdon, Virginia, and to repeal all other acts with reference thereto, No. 89; an act to amend and re-enact section 3351 of the Code of Virginia, and to provide how a party having adverse interest or an adverse witness may be examined, No. 28; and an act giving courts of law jurisdiction over suits on lost past due bonds, notes or other written evidences of debt, and enabling said courts to require the party in whose favor the judgment may be rendered to execute proper indemnifying bond before execution is issued, No. 29.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 104 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896, No. 114; an act to provide for the acquirement and publication of information relating to fruit-growing in the State of Virginia, No. 130; an act to refund to Thomas J. Vaughan and Sallie A. Vaughan double taxes paid to the State by them on certain lots in Atlantic City ward, Norfolk city, Virginia, No 131; an act to increase the jurisdiction of justices of the peace for the city of Richmond, No. 132; an act to repeal section 219 of the Code of Virginia, edition of 1887, No. 134; and an act extending and defining the boundaries of the town of Hampton upon conditions, No. 54.

In which bills they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 114, House bill to amend and re-enact section 104 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 130, House bill to provide for the acquirement and publi-

cation of information relating to fruit-growing in the State of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing.

No. 131, House bill to refund to Thomas J. Vaughan and Sallie A. Vaughan double taxes, paid to the State by them, on certain lots in Atlantic City ward, Norfolk city, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 132, House bill to increase the jurisdiction of justices of the peace for the city of Richmond, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 134, House bill to repeal section 219 of the Code of Virginia, edition of 1887, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 54, House bill extending and defining the boundaries of the town of Hampton, upon conditions, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment

No. 184, Senate bill to incorporate the Imperial Union of the city of Richmond.

He, from the same committee, reported by a substitute

No. 125, Senate bill to provide for selling, granting, and conveying to the Colonial Water Company ten acres of land lying under the waters of the York river in the county of Gloucester, and to permit said company to hold said land and to erect a hotel and other buildings thereon.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 94, House bill to authorize the United States government to acquire title and jurisdiction to a tract of land in the county of Norfolk, on the southern branch of the Elizabeth river.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 100, House bill to permit E. E. Straight to erect a wharf on Back creek, in the county of York.

Mr. LE CATO, from the committee on public institutions and education, reported without amendment

No. 97, House bill to authorize the superintendents of the State hospitals for the insane to grant furloughs to the inmates thereof.

He, from the same committee, reported with amended title

No. 104, House bill to authorize Barbour district school board, in Orange county, to transfer \$500.00 of its surplus fund to the county school board.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 110, House bill to amend and re-enact the 7th section of an act entitled an act to provide for the reorganization of the Institution for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind, and to repeal chapter 74 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal chapter 226 of the Acts of Assembly entitled an act to regulate the appointment of the board of directors of the Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institute, at Staunton, Va.,

approved May 14, 1887, approved March 4, 1896, as amended by chapter 244 of Acts of Assembly, 1897-98, approved February 8, 1898.

Mr. LYLE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 229, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3089 of the Code of Virginia, and section 3090 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 18, 1888, entitled act to amend and re-enact sections 112, 633, 674, 2533, 3045, 4048, and 4049 of an act entitled an act to revise and arrange and consolidate into a Code the general statutes of the Commonwealth, approved May 16, 1897; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. GOLD, by leave, presented

No. 230, A bill to amend and re-enact section 22, chapter 95, act of assembly, 1876-77, of an act approved February 17, 1877, entitled an act to provide for working and keeping the public roads in order in Clarke county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. LYLE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 231, A bill for the deposit of State funds in certain cases; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LYLE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 232, A bill to require persons engaged in the business of collecting to pay a license tax; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 233, A bill to incorporate Citizens Railway, Light and Power Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 234, A bill for the relief of R. I. Overton, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 235, A bill for the relief of Samuel I. Millally, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 236, A bill to amend section 603 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 4, 1898, in reference to the collection of taxes, as amended, act re-enacted by an act ap-

proved March 1, 1898, in reference to the collection of taxes; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 237, A bill for the relief of L. D. McMillie, Sr., a Confederate soldier of Patrick county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 238, A bill for the relief of John Zigler, a Confederate soldier of Patrick county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 239, A bill for the relief of Wm. Bowling, a disabled Confederate soldier of Patrick county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

No. 240, A bill to incorporate the Cross Keys Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. STEELE, by leave, presented

No. 241, A bill to provide for a special appropriation to the Southwestern State Hospital; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 82, House bill to amend and re-enact section 753 of the Code of Virginia relating to State depositaries, was taken up, read the third time, and on motion of Mr. SANDS, the bill was recommitted to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 13, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to legalize primary elections and conventions in the counties of Clarke and Warren, approved March 2, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 122, House bill to grant to C. W. Powers, late treasurer of Dickenson county, further time to make sale of delinquent lands, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 142, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Southside Railway and Development Company, approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 201, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing additional real estate for the use of the Norfolk county ferries, and for enlarging the clerk's office, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 200, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to acquire by purchase or condemnation land in the city of Portsmouth, to be used for the clerk's office of Norfolk county court, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 202, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 20 of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the town of Berkley, in the county of Norfolk," approved March 3, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 24, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 108, Senate bill to amend and re enact section 457 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to what real estate exempt from taxation, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 131, Senate bill to authorize the National Mutual Church Insurance Company to transact business in Virginia free from taxation, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title, by the following vote—ayes, 23; noes, none:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Fairfax, Foster, Harvey, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Whitehead and Wickham—23.

NOES—None.

No. 170, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Shenandoah county, in their discretion, to levy a tax not exceeding twenty cents on the one hundred dollars of the taxable value of said county, for public school purposes, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 171, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Frederick county in their discretion to levy a tax not exceeding twenty cents on one hundred dollars of the taxable value of said county, for public school purposes, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 82, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved December 21, 1891, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3044 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to counties and districts of county judge, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. KEEZELL, the Senate adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, JANUARY 15, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of Saturday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, January 13, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to prescribe the manner in which the Mutual Assurance Society against fire on buildings in the State of Virginia shall deposit its moneys and invest its surplus funds, No. 199; an act to provide for the decrease of the nominal amount of the common capital stock of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, No. 153; and an act for the creation of a corporation to be known as the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company, by the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company, and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, and to define its powers, No. 91.

They have passed with amendments Senate bills entitled an act to regulate the killing, capturing, hunting, buying or selling, or offering for sale, of partridges and wild turkeys in the county of Dinwiddie, and to prohibit the catching of the same in traps or nets, and to prohibit the taking or destruction of eggs of same in said county, No. 174; an act to incorporate Big Sandy and Cumberland Railroad Company, No. 164; and an act abolishing the office of the register of the land office, and imposing the power and duties of said office on the secretary of the Commonwealth, No. 8.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and reenact section 1497 of the Code of Virginia, prescribing the subjects to be taught in the public free schools, No. 145; an act to authorize the school boards of Isle of Wight county to pay its trustees, No. 146; an act to confirm and amend a charter granted to the Young Men's Christian Association of Staunton, Virginia, by the circuit court of Augusta county on the 28th day of November, 1881, and on the 28th day of March, 1882, and to validate all acts of said association done under said charter, No. 147; an act to authorize the school board of Southampton county to compensate its school trustees, No. 148; an act requiring the district school boards of Western Branch, Tanners creek, and Washington districts to hold monthly meetings, and to receive compensation for the same, No. 149; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, land in the city of Portsmouth, to be used for the clerk's office of Norfolk county

court, No. 150; an act to amend and re-enact section 20 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Berkley, in the county of Norfolk, approved March 3, 1890, and as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 24, 1898, No. 152; an act to legalize primary elections in the county of Elizabeth City, No. 153; an act granting to Mary F. Armstrong the right to erect a break-water and wharves on her property on Hampton river, No. 154; an act to amend and re-enact an act granting to M. C. Armstrong the right to establish a ferry from Blackbeard's Point, on Hampton creek, in the county of Elizabeth City, to the opposite side of Hampton creek, approved February 26, 1898, so as to provide for a ferry from the town of Hampton to Blackbeard's Point, and other points on Hampton creek and Herbert's creek, No. 155; an act to incorporate the Independent Order of Galilean Fishermen, No. 156; an act to compensate school trustees, other than clerks of district school boards, in Culpeper county, and also to compensate the clerk and members of the county school board, No. 157; an act for the relief of John C. Hall, ex-treasurer of Franklin county, to give him and his former deputies powers of levy and distress to collect certain uncollected tax tickets now in his possession, and for which he has accounted to the proper fiscal agents, No. 158; an act for the issue of bonds to the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars for the purpose of refunding the bonds heretofore issued by the board of supervisors of Warwick county, the payment of which was assumed by the city of Newport News, No. 161; an act for the issue of thirty thousand dollars of bonds for the benefit of the fire department of the city of Newport News and the establishment of a garbage plant in said city, No. 162; an act to provide that, in addition to the present indebtedness of the city of Newport News, and to the certificate of debt or bonds in which the council is now authorized by law to issue, the common council of said city shall be empowered to cause to be issued for and in the name of the said city other certificates of debt or bonds, No. 163; an act to provide for the issue of one hundred thousand dollars emergency bonds by the city of Newport News, No. 164; an act authorizing the county school board of Elizabeth City county to borrow ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and issue bonds therefor, No. 165; an act to authorize the town of Lexington to impose a license tax on the manufacture or distillation or sale of wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, within the corporate limits of the town of Lexington, or within one mile of the corporate limits of the said town, No. 167; an act to amend and re-enact section 17 of the charter of the city of Portsmouth, approved March 6, 1882, as amended by an act approved February 23, 1894, and as amended by an act approved January 27, 1898, No. 168; an act to authorize the city of Portsmouth to issue bonds to continue paving and grading of streets, for the erection of a public building, and to redeem certain bonds, No. 170; an act to

amend and re-enact an act approved February 19, 1880, entitled an act to amend an act approved February 3, 1871, entitled an act to authorize the city of Portsmouth to lease out the ends of certain streets, No. 171; an act regulating appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the county of Warwick, and providing compensation for same, No. 173; an act to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to provide for a charter of the town of Onancock, in the county of Accomac, approved February 15, 1882, and to amend and re-enact section 5 of the above mentioned act, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act to provide charter for the town of Onancock, in the county of Accomac, approved February 14, 1898, No. 174; and an act to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in Northampton county, No. 176.

In which bills they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 174, Senate bill to regulate the killing, capturing, hunting, buying, or selling, or offering for sale, of partridges and wild turkeys in the county of Dinwiddie, and to prohibit the catching of the same in traps or nets, and to prohibit the taking or destruction of eggs of same in said county, was taken up.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to concur in House amendment, which was agreed to.

No. 164, Senate bill to incorporate Big Sandy and Cumberland Railroad Company, was taken up.

Mr. ST. CLAIR moved to concur in House amendment, which was agreed to.

No. 145, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1497 of the Code of Virginia, prescribing the subjects to be taught in the public free schools, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 146, House bill to authorize the school boards of Isle of Wight county to pay its trustees, &c., was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 147, House bill to confirm and amend a charter granted to the Young Men's Christian Association of Staunton, Virginia, by the circuit court of Augusta county on the 28th day of November, 1881, and on the 28th day of March, 1882, and to validate all acts of said association done under said charter, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. OPIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 148, House bill to authorize the school board of Southampton county to compensate its school trustees, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 149, House bill requiring the district school boards of Western Branch, Tanner's Creek, and Washington districts to hold

monthly meetings, and to receive compensation for the same, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MAYNARD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 150, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to acquire by purchase or condemnation land in the city of Portsmouth, to be used for the clerk's office of Norfolk county court, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. MAYNARD, was indefinitely postponed.

No. 152, House bill to amend and re-enact section 20 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Berkley, in the county of Norfolk, approved March 3, 1890, and as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 24, 1898, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. MAYNARD, was indefinitely postponed.

No. 153, House bill to legalize primary elections in the county of Elizabeth City, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

No. 154, House bill granting to Mary F. Armstrong the right to erect a break-water and wharves on her property on Hampton river, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 155, House bill to amend and re-enact an act granting to M. C. Armstrong the right to establish a ferry from Blackbeard's Point, on Hampton creek, in the county of Elizabeth City, to the opposite side of Hampton creek, approved February 26, 1898, so as to provide for a ferry from the town of Hampton to Blackbeard's Point, and other points on Hampton creek and Herbert's creek, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 156, House bill to incorporate the Independent Order of Galilean Fishermen, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. WALKER moved that the committee be discharged from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 157, House bill to compensate school trustees, others than clerks of district school boards, in Culpeper county, and also to compensate the clerk and members of the county school board, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 158, House bill for the relief of John C. Hall, ex-treasurer of Franklin county, to give him and his former deputies powers of levy and distress to collect certain uncollected tax tickets now in his possession, and for which he has accounted to the proper fiscal agents, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 161, House bill for the issue of bonds to the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars for the purpose of refunding the bonds heretofore issued by the board of supervisors of Warwick county,

the payment of which was assumed by the city of Newport News, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 162, House bill for the issue of thirty thousand dollars of bonds for the benefit of the fire department of the city of Newport News, and the establishment of a garbage plant in said city, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 163, House bill to provide, that in addition to the present indebtedness of the city of Newport News, and to the certificate of debt or bonds, in which the council is now authorized by law to issue, the common council of said city shall be empowered to cause to be issued for and in the name of the said city other certificates of debt or bonds, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 164, House bill to provide for the issue of one hundred thousand dollars emergency bonds by the city of Newport News, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 165, House bill authorizing the county school board of Elizabeth City county to borrow ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), and issue bonds therefor, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 167, House bill to authorize the town of Lexington to impose a license tax on the manufacture or distillation or sale of wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, within the corporate limits of the town of Lexington, or within one mile of the corporate limits of the said town, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 168, House bill to amend and re-enact section 17 of the charter of the city of Portsmouth, approved March 6, 1882, as amended by an act approved February 23, 1894, and as amended by an act approved January 27, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MAYNARD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 170, House bill to authorize the city of Portsmouth to issue bonds to continue paving and grading of streets for the erection of a public building, and to redeem certain bonds, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MAYNARD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 171, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 19, 1880, entitled an act to amend an act approved February 3, 1871, entitled an act to authorize the city of Portsmouth to lease out the ends of certain streets, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MAYNARD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 173, House bill regulating appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the county of Warwick, and providing compensation for same, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 174, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to provide for a charter of the town of Onancock in the county of Accomac, approved February 15, 1882; and to amend and re-enact section 5 of the above mentioned act, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act to provide charter for the town of Onancock, in the county of Accomac, approved February 14, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 176, House bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in Northampton county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and town, reported without amendment

No. 101, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 94 and 97 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896; and creating the office of city attorney and authorizing the common council to fill said office.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. TYLER, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 242, A bill to prohibit telegraph companies operating in the State of Virginia, from contracting against their own negligence; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 243, A bill to amend and re-enact section 609 of the Code in relation to sale of delinquent lands, so as to empower county and corporation courts to strike from the list all lands which cannot be located or which are improperly thereon; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 244, A bill to regulate the employment of children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 245, A bill to prohibit the buying or selling of futures or stocks or bonds on a margin, or otherwise dealing in what is known as futures or stocks or bonds on a margin, or to induce another to do so, or keeping a place for such purpose, by declaring such transactions gambling; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. WALKER, by leave, presented

No. 246, A bill to incorporate the Golden Chain Society of Westmoreland county, Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 247, A bill to amend and re-enact section 95 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the appointment of county surveyor and superintendent of the poor, as to the county of Tazewell; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town organizations.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 248, A bill to amend and re-enact section 4168 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to compensation of guards at the penitentiary; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 230, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 22, chapter 95, Acts of Assembly of 1876-'77, of an act approved February 17, 1877, entitled an act to provide for working and keeping the public roads in order in Clarke county.

Mr. GOLD moved that the committee on county, city and town be discharged from further consideration of the bill; which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 123, House bill to incorporate the Southern Investment Company, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. SANDS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 94, House bill to authorize the United States government to acquire title and jurisdiction to a tract of land in the county of Norfolk, on the southern branch of the Elizabeth river, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 22; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, James, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Tate, Tyler and Wickham—22.

NOES—None.

No. 97, House bill to authorize the superintendents of the State hospitals for the insane to grant furloughs to inmates thereof, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 100, House bill to permit E. E. Slaight to erect a wharf on Back creek, in the county of York, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 104, House bill to authorize Barbour district school board, in Orange county, to transfer \$500 of its surplus fund to the county school board, was taken up, read the third time, and passed.

The committee amended the title so as to read as follows:

To authorize Barbour district school board, in Orange county, to transfer the sum of \$500 to the county school fund of said district, and to use said sum for the payment of teachers' salaries; which was agreed to.

No. 110, House bill to amend and re-enact the seventh section of an act entitled an act to provide for the reorganization of the Institution for the Deaf and Dumb and Blind, and to repeal chapter 74 of the Code of Virginia and to repeal chapter 226 of the Acts of Assembly entitled an act to regulate the appointment of the board of directors of the Deaf, Dumb and Blind Institute, at Staunton, Va., approved May 14, 1887, approved March 4, 1896, as amended by chapter 244 of Acts of Assembly 1897-'98, approved February 8, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MUNFORD, from the committee on library, reported without amendment

No. 226, Senate bill to authorize the delivery to the Union Theological Seminary of the Memorials of Hanover Presbytery to the House of Burgesses of 1774, and the Legislature of 1776, on the subject of Religious Liberty.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee on public institutions and education, reported without amendment

No. 22, House bill to authorize the school boards of Dinwiddie county to compensate its school trustees.

The bill was subsequently taken up.

Mr. McILWAINE offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment

No. 124, House bill to ratify, confirm, and amend the charter of the Norfolk County Water Company, and to give it additional powers.

No. 41, Senate bill in relation to the effect of evidence in suits upon insurance policy as to immaterial allegations in the policy, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to.

Mr. LYLE offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 82, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved December 21, 1891, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3044 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to counties and districts of county judge, was taken up, read the third time, and passed by the following vote—ayes, 25 ; noes, 0.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Fairfax, Foster, Gold, Hartley, James, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—25.

NOES—None.

And on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR, the title was amended to read as follows :

A bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 3 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved December 21, 1891, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3044 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the counties and districts of the county court judges.

Mr. MORRIS, from the committee appointed to wait on the Hon. Thomas S. Martin and inform him of his election as United States senator from the State of Virginia, reported that they had performed their duty.

A message was received from the Governor by his private secretary, appointing certain persons as members of the board of visitors of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute ; which was read and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. LYLE, the Senate resolved itself into executive session, and having dispatched the business before them, the doors were opened and the following resolution, adopted in executive session (the injunction of secrecy being removed), was ordered to be spread on the Journal of the Senate, and a copy thereof be forwarded to the Governor.

Resolved, The Senate advise and confirm the following nominations as members of the board of visitors of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, to serve for four years each, from January 1, 1900 :

Wyndham B. Robertson.,

B. B. Brockenbrough,

J. F. Ryan,

J. S. Mushgrave.

On motion of Mr. SANDS, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. George Cooper.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 15, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to acquire by purchase or condemnation land in the city of Portsmouth to be used for the clerk's office of Norfolk county court, No. 200; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing additional real estate for the use of the Norfolk county ferries, and for enlarging the clerk's office, No. 201; an act to amend and re-enact section 20 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Berkley, in the county of Norfolk, approved March 3, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 24, 1898, No. 202.

They have passed House bills entitled an act for the relief of A. B. Cook, No. 142; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 4, 1896, entitled an act to provide for the working of roads in Fauquier county, Virginia, No. 111; an act to facilitate the construction of telegraph and telephone lines along and upon the right of way of railroads in the State of Virginia, and to provide for condemnation of such right of way, No. 144; an act to change the name of Elizabeth Night Ferry Company to Elizabeth River Ferry Company, and to amend and re-enact sections 1, 2, and 3 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Elizabeth Night Ferry Company, approved January 15, 1896, No. 160; an act to give consent of the State of Virginia to the purchase or acquisition of the government of the United States of so much land as may be necessary for a public building in the city of Portsmouth, and giving the city the power to sell the same for purpose mentioned, No. 169; an act to incorporate the Pulaski and Giles Insurance Company, No. 178; an act to incorporate the Children's Home Society of Virginia, No. 180; an act to provide for the recordation by clerks of the county or corporation courts of lists of conveyances and partitions that may have been returned thereto by the clerk of the general court, and may now be found therein, and declaring the effect to be given said lists when so recorded, No. 108; an act to change the name of the Title and Trust Company to Southern Trust Company, and to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act to incorporate the Virginia Mercantile and Safe Deposit Company of Richmond, Virginia, approved January 24, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 22, 1894, No. 182; an act to amend and re-

enact chapter 402 of the Acts of 1897 and 1898, annulling and re-enacting section 2088 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 532 of the Acts of Assembly of 1895-'96, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2088 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to hauling seines or setting traps in the waters of Accomac and Northampton, approved March 3, 1892, approved February 28, 1896, approved February 18, 1898, No. 183; and an act to compensate school trustees, other than clerks of district school boards, in the counties of Greene and Madison, No. 184.

In which bills they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 142, House bill for the relief of A. B. Cook, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 111, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 4, 1896, entitled an act to provide for the working of roads in Fauquier county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FAIRFAX (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 144, House bill to facilitate the construction of telegraph and telephone lines along and upon the right of way of railroads in the State of Virginia, and to provide for condemnation of such right of way, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 160, House bill to change the name of the Elizabeth Night Ferry Company to the Elizabeth River Ferry Company, and to amend and re-enact sections 1, 2, and 3 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Elizabeth Night Ferry Company, approved January 15, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 169, House bill to give consent of the State of Virginia to the purchase or requisition of the government of the United States of so much land as may be necessary for a public building in the city of Portsmouth, and giving the city the power to sell the same for purpose mentioned, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 178, House bill to incorporate the Pulaski and Giles Insurance Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 180, House bill to incorporate the Children's Home Society of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 108, House bill to provide for the recordation by clerks of the county or corporation courts of lists of conveyances and partitions that may have been returned thereto by the clerk of the general court, and may now be found therein, and declaring the

effect to be given said lists when so recorded, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 182, House bill to change the name of the Title and Trust Company to Southern Trust Company, and to amend and re-enact section one of an act to incorporate the Virginia Mercantile and Safe Deposit Company, of Richmond, Virginia, approved January 24, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 22, 1894, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MUNFORD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MUNFORD moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 183, House bill to amend and re-enact chapter 402 of the Acts of 1897 and 1898, annulling and re-enacting section 2028 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 532 of the Acts of Assembly of 1895-'96, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2088 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to hauling seines or setting traps in the waters of Accomac and Northampton, approved March 3, 1892, approved February 28, 1896, approved February 18, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 184, House bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks of district school boards, in the counties of Greene and Madison, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 98, House bill to provide for the relief of Battery "C," first battalion artillery Virginia volunteers (Grimes's battery), Norfolk and Virginia Beach Railway Company, Dr. R. S. Spilman, C. R. Warren, W. E. Simons, for services rendered in aid of civil authorities of the Commonwealth of Virginia in preventing the spread of yellow fever.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 105, House bill allowing James T. Fudge, treasurer of Alleghany county, and his deputies, further time within which to distrain, levy, and collect certain tax-tickets and license taxes for which he has heretofore accounted to the State.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 120, House bill for the relief of John C. Heinbuch from erroneous assessment of land in Alexandria county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 167, House bill to authorize the town of Lexington to impose a license tax on the manufacture or distillation or sale of wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, within the corporate limits of the town of Lexington, or within one mile of the corporate limits of the said town.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 190, Senate bill to direct and authorize county and corporation courts to strike from the list of lands returned delinquent for non-payment of taxes, levies, &c., such as are erroneously thereon.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 191, Senate bill to authorize and empower chancery courts to confirm sales of land when the purchase price is not sufficient to pay off the liens of taxes, levies and assessments returned delinquent, and apportion the proceeds between State, counties and corporations, and to make valid and firm any sales heretofore made.

Mr. MORRIS, from the committee on public institutions and education, reported without amendment

No. 129, House bill to charter Rawlings Institute.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 145, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1497 of the Code of Virginia, prescribing the subjects to be taught in the public free schools.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. BARKSDALE, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 146, House bill to authorize the school board of Isle of Wight county to pay its school trustees.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 148, House bill to authorize the school board of Southampton county to compensate its school trustees.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 157, House bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks of district school boards, in Culpeper county, and also to compensate the clerk and members of the county school board.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and town, reported without amendment

No. 114, House bill to amend and re-enact section 104 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 115, House bill to amend and re-enact section 14 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 137, House bill to amend and re-enact an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in the county of Richmond.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 135, Senate bill to incorporate the Consolidated Turnpike Company of Norfolk, Virginia.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No. 249, A bill to amend and re-enact section 12 (relating to tax on wills and administration) of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirit, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof in cases where a court certificate is necessary; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No. 250, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 7 and 17 of an act approved February 20, 1892, in relation to the settlement of the public debt of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 25, 1898, extending the time for the funding of the outstanding evidences of debt due by the Commonwealth not heretofore funded under the acts approved February 14, 1882, and February 20, 1892, as amended; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MASSIE, by leave, presented

No. 251, A bill for the relief of Peter J. Hight, a Confederate soldier of Nelson county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 252, A bill to provide for the method of voting by ballot; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 253, A bill to amend and re-enact the tenth sub-division of section 183 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1892, relating to the salaries of superintendent of the penitentiary, surgeon, assistant keepers, and clerks; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave (by request), presented

No. 254, A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Mount Crawford, in the county of Rockingham, approved December 14, 1895; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 255, A bill for the relief of A. W. Talley, by repaying to

him the amount of a tax twice paid; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 256, A bill to validate certain contracts made and entered into by and between the Farmville Building and Trust Company, of Farmville, Virginia, and its members; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 257, A bill for the relief of Thomas N. and Charles E. Jones; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 258, A bill to amend and re-enact section 4 of an act entitled an act to extend the corporate limits of the city of Richmond, approved February 19, 1892; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 259, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act approved February 24, 1888, entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Richmond by adding additional sections to chapter IV., concerning city offices, so as to provide for the appointment of a board of public interests; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 260, A bill to amend and re-enact section 18 and sub-sections six, seven, and nine of section 19 and section 25 of the act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Richmond, and the several acts of the General Assembly amendatory thereof, concerning the powers of the city council; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. WALLACE, by leave, presented

No. 261, A bill for the relief of George A. Bowling, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 262, A bill to appropriate five thousand dollars to the Virginia Home for Incurables; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 263, A bill to amend and re-enact section 622 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March

2, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 23, 1896; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 264, A bill for the relief of L. D. Jones; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. CLAYTOR presented the following

Joint resolution requiring the receipt of the State treasurer to be attached to all bills for the chartering of any corporation or company, showing the prepayment of charter fees, before said bills are printed or referred to committees.

Resolved, by the Senate (the House of Delegates concurring), That hereafter no bill offered in the Senate or House of Delegates having for its object the chartering of any company or corporation under the laws of this State, shall be printed by the public printer, nor considered in committees when printed, nor placed on the calendar unless the receipt showing the prepayment of all charter fees required by law, is attached to said bill. The compliance with this resolution shall be announced by the clerk of the Senate and House of Delegates at the time such bills are presented, which was agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 215, Senate bill to incorporate the Eastern Shore of Virginia Produce Exchange.

Mr. LE CATO moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was taken from the calendar, which was agreed to, and the bill was placed on the calendar.

No. 8, Senate bill abolishing the office of the register of the land office and imposing the power and duties of the said office on the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was taken up.

Mr. STEELE moved to concur in House amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to concur in House amended title so as to read as follows: "an act to prescribe the duties of the register of the land office and fix his salary."

Mr. OPIE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 149, House bill requiring the district school boards of Western branch, Tanners creek, and Washington district to hold monthly meetings, and to receive compensation for the same, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 170, House bill to authorize the city of Portsmouth to issue bonds to continue paving and grading of streets for the erection of a public building, and to redeem certain bonds, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 171, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 19, 1880, entitled an act to amend an act approved February

3, 1871, entitled an act to authorize the city of Portsmouth to lease out the ends of certain streets, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 168, House bill to amend and re-enact section 17 of the charter of the city of Portsmouth, approved March 6, 1882, as amended by an act approved February 23, 1894, and as amended by an act approved January 27, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 174, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to provide for a charter of the town of Onancock, in the county of Accomac, approved February 15, 1882; and to amend and re-enact section 5 of the above-mentioned act, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act to provide charter for the town of Onancock, in the county of Accomac, approved February 14, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 176, House bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in Northampton county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 147, House bill to confirm and amend a charter granted to the Young Men's Christian Association of Staunton, Virginia, by the circuit court of Augusta county on the 28th day of November, 1881, and on the 28th day of March, 1882, and to validate all acts of said association done under said charter, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 163, House bill to provide that, in addition to the present indebtedness of the city of Newport News, and to the certificate of debt or bonds in which the council is now authorized by law to issue, the common council of said city shall be empowered to cause to be issued for and in the name of the said city other certificates of debt or bonds, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 164, House bill to provide for the issue of one hundred thousand dollars emergency bonds by the city of Newport News, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 165, House bill authorizing the county school board of Elizabeth City county to borrow ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), and issue bonds therefor, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 162, House bill for the issue of thirty thousand dollars of bonds for the benefit of the fire department of the city of Newport News and the establishment of a garbage plant in said city, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 161, House bill for the issue of bonds to the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars for the purpose of refunding the bonds heretofore issued by the board of supervisors of Warwick county, the payment of which was assumed by the city of New-

port News, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 124, House bill to ratify, confirm, and amend the charter of the Norfolk County Water Company, and to give it additional powers, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 206, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 17 of the charter of the city of Alexandria, approved February 20, 1871, as amended by an act approved March 22, 1871, and by an act approved March 17, 1876, and by an act approved March 20, 1877, and by an act approved January 25, 1879, and by an act approved March 1, 1888, and by an act approved February 25, 1892, and by an act approved February 26, 1894, and by an act approved March 1, 1894, and by an act approved March 8, 1894, and by an act approved February 27, 1896, and by acts approved March 3, 1896, and by an act approved March 4, 1896, and by an act approved February 7, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE, recommitted to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 207, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 18 of the charter of the city of Alexandria, approved February 20, 1871, as amended by an act approved March 22, 1871, and by an act approved March 17, 1876, and by an act approved March 20, 1877, and by an act approved January 25, 1879, and by an act approved March 1, 1888, and by an act approved February 25, 1892, and by an act approved February 26, 1894, and by an act approved March 1, 1894, and by an act approved March 8, 1894, and by an act approved February 27, 1896, and by acts approved March 3, 1896, and by an act approved March 4, 1896, and by an act approved February 7, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE, recommitted to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 41, Senate bill in relation to the effect of evidence in suits upon insurance policy as to immaterial allegations in the policy, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. LYLE moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment, which was agreed to.

No. 122, Senate joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1, Article III, of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for publishing said amendment and certifying the same to the next General Assembly.

Being the special order of the day, was taken up, and after being freely discussed, Mr. OPIE offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposed amendment to the Constitution be referred to the committee on privileges and elections, which committee is hereby instructed to consider it, together with other amendments proposed, as well as the resolution calling a constitutional convention, and report as early as practicably.

Which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 16; noes, 18:

AYES—Messrs. Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Gold, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, Maynard, Munford, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Steel, Tate and Wallace—16.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Mann, Morris, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—18.

The joint resolution was then ordered to its engrossment.

Mr. **LYLE** moved the pending question.

The roll was called, with the following result—ayes, 15; noes, 16.

AYES—Messrs. Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Mann, Maynard, Morris, Tyler, Walker and Watkins—15.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Harvey, James, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate and Wallace—16.

Mr. **BARKSDALE** announced that he was paired with Mr. **FAIRFAX**; if present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. **OPIE** announced that he was paired with Mr. **WICKHAM**; if present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. **BARKSDALE** moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to engross the joint resolution.

Mr. **MORRIS** moved to pass the motion by; which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 15; noes, 15.

And the **PRESIDENT** cast his vote in the affirmative—aye.

AYES—Messrs. Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Mann, Maynard, Morris, Tyler, Walker and Watkins—15.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Harvey, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate and Wallace—15.

A message was received from the Governor by his private secretary, announcing that he returns Senate bill No. 112, at the request of the patron, there being an error in the bill in the designation of the creek intended; which was read and laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. **MORRIS**, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. George Cooper.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, January 16, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to authorize the common council of the city of Winchester to borrow money and to issue bonds, No. 72; an act to allow Peyton Hundley to erect a pier on the Rappahannock river and to build a house thereon, No. 208; an act to empower the counties of Albemarle, Buckingham and Fluvanna to construct a bridge across James river at or near the town of Scottsville and to collect tolls thereon, and to authorize and empower said counties to negotiate a loan and issue bonds for that purpose, and to repeal section 1388 of the Code of Virginia in so far as it applies to such bridge, No. 136; an act to authorize the town of Scottsville to contribute towards the erection of a bridge across James river at or near said town, and to negotiate a loan and issue its bonds for that purpose, No. 162; and an act to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Southside Railway and Development Company, approved March 3, 1898, No. 142.

They have agreed to Senate joint resolution requiring the receipt of the State treasurer to be attached to all bills for the prepayment of charter fees before said bills are printed or referred to committee.

They have agreed to the amendment of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to regulate killing, capturing, hunting, buying, selling or offering for sale, of partridges (or quail), wild turkeys, hares, robin red breasts and all native pheasants, in the county of Albemarle, and to prohibit the catching of same in traps or the destruction of the eggs of the same, in said county, approved January 25, 1898, and to apply the provisions of the same to the city of Charlottesville, No. 56.

They have passed with an amendment Senate bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 16 of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon, for the support of the government and public free schools and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, No. 71.

They have passed House bills entitled an act regulating the appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the city of Newport News, and providing for compensation of same, No. 172; an act to incorporate the Newport News and Richmond Telephone and Telegraph Company, No. 179; an act to amend and re-enact sections 3752 and 3753 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to how officers suffering prisoners to escape shall be punished, No. 185; an act making the contingent right of dower of a married woman in real estate, in which her husband has no interest, her separate estate, and authorizing her to dispose of the same by her sole act, No. 186; an act to allow A. S. Mitchell and A. Somers to build a pier in Rappahannock river, near Whealton wharf, in Lancaster county, No. 187; an act to allow F. W. Lewis, A. E. Tull, R. L. Bass, and James P. Saunders, to build a pier or piers in Rappahannock river, near Whealton wharf, in Lancaster county, No. 188; an act to allow Coulbourn Brothers to build a pier in Rappahannock river, near Whealton wharf, in Lancaster county, No. 189; an act to authorize and empower the trustees of Clintwood Primitive Baptist Church to sell and convey a lot of land, No. 190; an act to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Dickenson county to appoint a commissioner to take and state the accounts of ex-county officials with the county, No. 191; an act to authorize the Low Moor Iron Company of Virginia to construct and use a railway to cross the county roads on Jacksons river and Potts creek, in Alleghany county, No. 192; an act to authorize and permit M. A. Finch to erect wharves or piers, and to construct bulkheads in the James river along the water fronts of her lands owned by her in the city of Newport News, Virginia, No. 193, and an act to amend and re-enact section 3711 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 359 of Acts of Assembly, 1893-94, as further amended and re-enacted by chapter 118, Acts of Assembly, 1897-98, making dogs in the cities of Richmond, Manchester, Petersburg, Alexandria, Newport News, Norfolk, Lynchburg, Bristol and Roanoke, and in the counties of Henrico, Dinwiddie, Surry, Prince George, Franklin, Warwick, Clarke, Warren, Prince Edward, Isle of Wight, Accomac, Hanover, Washington, Elizabeth City, and York, and all dogs listed for taxation, personal property and subject to petit larceny and trespass, No. 139.

In which bills they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 71, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 16 of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent

spirits, malt liquors, or any mixtures thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, was taken up.

Mr. FAIRFAX moved to concur in House amendment; which was agreed to.

No. 172, House bill regulating the appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the city of Newport News, and providing for compensation of same, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. TYLER moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was taken up, Mr. TYLER proposed an amendment, which was agreed to, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. TYLER he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 179, House bill to incorporate the Newport News and Richmond Telephone and Telegraph Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 185, House bill to amend and re-enact sections three thousand, seven hundred and fifty-two and three thousand, seven hundred and fifty-three of the Code of Virginia in relation to how officers suffering prisoners to escape shall be punished, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 186, House bill making the contingent right of dower of a married woman in real estate, in which her husband has no interest, her separate estate, and authorizing her to dispose of the same by her sole act, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 187, House bill to allow A. S. Mitchell and A. Somers to build a pier in Rappahannock river, near Whealton wharf, in Lancaster county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 188, House bill to allow F. W. Lewis, A. E. Tull, R. L. Bass, and James P. Saunders to build a pier or piers in Rappahannock river, near Whealton wharf, in Lancaster county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 189, House bill to allow Coulbourn Brothers to build a pier in Rappahannock river, near Whealton wharf, in Lancaster county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 190, House bill to authorize and empower the trustees of Clintwood Primitive Baptist Church to sell and convey a lot of land, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 191, House bill to authorize and empower the board of

supervisors of Dickenson county to appoint a commissioner to take and state the accounts of ex-county officials with the county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 192, House bill to authorize the Low Moor Iron Company of Virginia to construct and use a railway to cross the county roads on Jacksons river and Potts creek, in Alleghany county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. OPIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 193, House bill to authorize and permit M. A. Finch to erect wharves or piers, and to construct bulkheads in the James river along the water fronts of her lands owned by her in the city of Newport News, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 139, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3711 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 359 of the Acts of Assembly 1893-'94, as further amended and re-enacted by chapter 118, Acts of Assembly 1897-'98, making dogs in the cities of Richmond, Manchester, Petersburg, Alexandria, Newport News, Norfolk, Lynchburg, Bristol and Roanoke, and in the counties of Henrico, Dinwiddie, Surry, Prince George, Franklin, Warwick, Clarke, Warren, Prince Edward, Isle of Wight, Accomac, Hanover, Washington, Elizabeth City and York, and all dogs listed for taxation, personal property, and subjects of petit larceny and trespass, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws reported with a recommendation that it do not pass

No. 19, Senate bill to make it unlawful to manufacture, sell, or offer to sell, any article, compound, or preparation for the purpose of being used, or which is intended to be used, in the preparation of food, in which article, compound, or preparation there is any arsenic, calomel, bismuth, ammonia, or alum, and to provide punishment therefor.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 161, Senate bill for the relief of E. W. Armistead.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 240, Senate bill to incorporate the Cross Keys Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. KEEZELL (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported with a substitute

No. 59, Senate bill to amend and re-enact the charter of the

Danville Street Car Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee substitute agreed.

Mr. JAMES offered an amendment, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. JAMES (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. JAMES, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 98, Senate bill to incorporate the Jamestown, Williamsburg and Yorktown Railroad Company.

And he, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 34, House bill to incorporate the Portsmouth and Pinner's Point Bridge Company.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and town, reported without amendment

No. 102, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges of the county of Goochland, approved January 6, 1898.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 265, A bill to prohibit any person or corporation from enticing, persuading, or procuring a servant to leave his master, or from harboring any servant who has unlawfully left his service, and to provide punishment for same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 266, A bill for the relief of W. A. Turpin, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 267, A bill to authorize the county school board of Chesterfield county to pay the treasurer for disbursing school funds; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 268, A bill for the relief of James H. Lawhorn, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. TATE, by leave, presented

No. 269, A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Bland county to levy a tax for district school purposes; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 270, A bill for the relief of the personal representative and estate of William M. Flanagan; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 271, A bill to provide for the indexing of deeds and other records in Wise, Dickenson and Buchanan counties; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 272, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 2, 6 and 8 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lawrenceville, Virginia, approved April 29, 1874, and to add two additional sections to said act; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. STEELE, by leave, presented

No. 273, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act of the General Assembly, approved March 8, 1894, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Saltville, in the counties of Smyth and Washington; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 274, A bill to repeal sections 2194, 2195, 2196, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend section 2214 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend section of an act approved February 18, 1896, to provide for the protection of domestic animals, and to authorize and empower the board of control of the experiment station of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg to establish live stock quarantine lines, rules and regulations, and to prescribe penalties for violating the same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 275, A bill to incorporate the Yorktown, Poquoson and Hampton Railway Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 276, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 1721 and 1723 of

the Code, and to amend and re-enact section 1724 of the Code as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled "An act to amend and re-enact sections 1714, 1715, 1724 and 1725, Code of Virginia, in relation to the powers, duties, and compensation of the State board of health, and to make appropriation for maintaining the same;" which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. LYLE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 277, A bill to compensate school trustees other than clerks in the county of Montgomery; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. LYLE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 278, A bill to compensate school trustees other than clerks of district boards in Craig county, and members of the county school board of said county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles.

No. 146, To authorize the school boards of Isle of Wight county to pay its trustees, &c.

No. 148, To authorize the school boards of Southampton county to compensate its school trustees.

No. 129, To charter Rawling's institute.

No. 114, To amend and re-enact section 104 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896.

No. 115, To amend and re-enact section 14 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896.

No. 157, To compensate school trustees, other than clerks of district school boards, in Culpepper county, and also to compensate the clerk and members of the county school board.

No. 105, Allowing Joseph T. Fudge, treasurer of Alleghany county, and his deputies, further time within which to distrain, levy, and collect certain tax tickets and license taxes for which he has heretofore accounted to the State.

No. 111, To amend and re-enact an act approved March 4, 1896, entitled an act to provide for the working of roads in Fauquier county, Virginia.

No. 120, House bill for relief of John C. Heinbuch from erroneous assessment of land in Alexandria county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title, by the following vote—ayes, 35; noes, none:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—35.

NOES—None.

No. 167, House bill to authorize the town of Lexington to impose a license tax on the manufacture or distillation or sale of wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, within the corporate limits of the town of Lexington, or within one mile of the corporate limits of the said town, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. OPIE moved to reconsider the vote; which was rejected.

No. 137, House bill to amend and re-enact an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in the county of Richmond, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALKER moved to reconsider the vote; which was rejected.

No. 98, House bill to provide for the relief of Battery "C," First Battalion Artillery, Virginia Volunteers (Grimes Battery), Norfolk and Virginia Beach Railway Company, Dr. R. S. Spilman, C. R. Warren, W. E. Simons, for services rendered in aid of the civil authorities of the Commonwealth of Virginia in preventing the spread of yellow fever, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 32; noes, 4:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—32.

NOES—Messrs. Claytor, Gold, Opie and Whitehead—4.

No. 122, Senate joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1 of Article 3 of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for publishing said amendment and certifying the same to the next General Assembly, being the special order of the day, on motion of Mr. MORRIS, was passed by and made the special continuing order for Friday, January 26, at 1 o'clock P. M.

Mr. KEEZELL presented petition of citizens of Mount Crawford, Rockingham county, Virginia, against the repeal of the act incorporating the town of Mount Crawford; which was read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. LYLE presented the following resolution:

Whereas January 19th is the anniversary of the birth of Robert E. Lee, a day honored by the people of Virginia; therefore, be it Resolved, That when the Senate adjourn on the 18th instant, it do adjourn to meet Monday, January 22nd instant.

Mr. EGGLESTON offered an amendment, inserting Saturday, January 20th, in lieu of Monday, January 22d; which was rejected.

The resolution was then agreed to.

Mr. LYLE moved to reconsider the vote; which was rejected.

No. 41, Senate bill in relation to the effect of evidence in suits upon insurance policy as to immaterial allegations in the policy, was taken up.

Mr. LYLE moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment; which was agreed to.

Mr. LYLE offered an amendment; which was agreed to.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. EMBREY, as follows:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That at half-past one o'clock to-day the General Assembly proceed to the election of a judge of the corporation court of the city of Fredericksburg, and to the election of a register of the land office.

Which on motion of Mr. BRUCE, was agreed to.

The hour of one thirty o'clock having arrived, a message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. EMBREY who informed the Senate that that House was ready to proceed with the execution of the joint order of the day, which has for its object the election of a corporation judge of the city of Fredericksburg and the register of the land office.

On motion of Mr. WALLACE, ordered that he inform the House that the Senate on its part was ready to proceed.

For judge of the corporation court of the city of Fredericksburg Mr. WALLACE nominated A. W. Wallace.

For register of the land office Mr. BRUCE nominated John W. Richardson.

There being no additional nominations, it was ordered that Mr. BRUCE inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. MADISON who informed the Senate that there were no additional nominations in that House.

The roll was called with the following result:

For A. W. Wallace, - - - - - 32

Senators who voted for A. W. WALLACE are—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—32.

For John W. Richardson, - - - - - 34

Senators who voted for JNO. W. RICHARDSON are—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—34.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. BRUCE and ST CLAIR as a committee on the part of the Senate to meet a similar committee on the part of the House of Delegates and count the joint votes, who, through their chairman, reported :

For judge of the corporation court of city of Fredericksburg—

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	110
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	56
Of which A. W. Wallace received	-	-	110

Mr. A. W. Wallace having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the corporation court of the city of Fredericksburg for the legal term of that office.

For register of the land office—

Whole number votes cast,	-	-	112
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	57
Of which John W. Richardson received	-	-	112

John W. Richardson having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected register of the land office for the legal term of that office.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. EGLESTON and SANDS a committee on the part of the Senate under a joint resolution relative to the re-arranging of the circuit court judicial districts of the State.

No. 184, Senate bill to incorporate the Imperial Union of the city of Richmond was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 226, Senate bill to authorize the delivery to the Union Theological Seminary of the Memorials of Hanover Presbytery to the House of Burgesses of 1774 and the Legislature of 1776, on the subject of Religious Liberty, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 135, Senate bill to incorporate the Consolidated Turnpike Company of Norfolk, Virginia, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. FOSTER, (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 191, Senate bill to authorize and empower chancery courts to confirm sales of land when the purchase price is not sufficient to pay off the liens of taxes, levies and assessments returned delinquent, and apportion the proceeds between state, counties and corporations, and to make valid and firm any sales heretofore made, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 190, Senate bill to direct and authorize county and corporation courts to strike from the list of lands returned delinquent for

non-payment of taxes, levies, &c., such as are erroneously thereon, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 215, Senate bill to incorporate the Eastern Shore of Virginia Produce Exchange, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 246, Senate bill to incorporate the Golden Chain Society of Westmoreland County, Virginia, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 174, House bill, to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to provide for a charter of the town of Onancock in the county of Accomac, approved February 15, 1882, and to amend and re-enact section 5 of the above mentioned act, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act to provide charter for the town of Onancock, in the county of Accomac, approved February 14, 1898, was taken up.

Mr. LE CATO moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed; which was agreed to.

Mr. WICKHAM proposed the following resolution:

Whereas there are stored in the capitol building many important papers and documents, which it would be impossible to reproduce in the event of their loss or destruction; and whereas the marble statue of Washington in the rotunda is of priceless value to the people of Virginia, and its loss would be irreparable:

Resolved, That the committee on the library be requested to investigate the condition of the capitol building, and its liability to injury by fire or otherwise, and report by bill or otherwise if in their judgment any precautions are desirable to secure the preservation of the building and its contents, and whether in the meantime the statue of Washington and the papers and documents should be removed to the library building.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. WICKHAM the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. George Cooper.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, January 17, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bill entitled an act to incorporate the Charlotte County Railway Company, No. 150.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bills entitled an act to authorize the school boards of Dinwiddie county to compensate its school trustees, No. 22; an act to authorize the United States Government to acquire title and jurisdiction to a tract of land in the county of Norfolk, on the southern branch of the Elizabeth river, No. 94; an act regulating the appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the city of Newport News, and providing for compensation of same, No. 172.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact the second sub-division of section 833 of the Code of Virginia, so as to provide for the assessment of capital used or employed in the mercantile business, for local taxation, No. 143; an act to require railroad companies to provide separate cars for white and colored passengers, No. 194; an act to amend and re-enact section 12 of an act approved February 4, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the Metropolitan Western Railroad of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 16, 1892, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1894, as amended by an act approved January 30, 1896, and as amended by an act approved March 2, 1898, No. 195; an act for relief of A. F. Stone, late treasurer of Smyth county, and to authorize the auditor of public accounts to credit said treasurer with lost school warrant, No. 196; an act to authorize A. B. Dye, James H. Thompson, J. B. Ashbrook, Jonas Rasnake, II. J. Tate, and Thomas D. Fugate, deputies of V. B. Gilmer, late treasurer of Russell county, to distrain for uncollected taxes for the years 1896 1897, 1898, and 1899, No. 199; an act to authorize the Hampton Roads Villa Company to grade and fill in its waterfront; erect a pier, wharf, and bulkhead and charge tolls therefor, No. 201; an act to amend and re-enact section one of an act entitled an act to require the payment of fees on certain charters, approved February 10, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 28, 1890, and further amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 22, 1894, and as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1896, and as further amended by an act approved March 1, 1898, in relation to charters,

No. 202; and an act extending the time for the collection of tax-tickets in the town of Colonial Beach, No. 203.

In which bills they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 143, House bill to amend and re-enact the second subdivision of section 833 of the Code of Virginia, so as to provide for the assessment of capital used or employed in the mercantile business, for local taxation, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 194, House bill to require railroad companies to provide separate cars for white and colored passengers, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 195, House bill to amend and re-enact section 12 of an act approved February 4, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the Metropolitan Western Railroad of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 16, 1892, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1894, as amended by an act approved January 30, 1896, and as amended by an act approved March 2, 1898, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. DONOHUE moved that the committee be discharged from further consideration of the bill which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 196, House bill for the relief of A. F. Stone, late treasurer of Smyth county, and to authorize the auditor of public accounts to credit said treasurer with lost school warrant, was taken up, twice read and on motion of MR. STEELE (the rule being suspended therefore), was placed on the calendar.

No. 199, House bill, to authorize A. B. Dye, James H. Thompson, J. B. Ashbrook, Jonas Rasnake, H. J. Tate, and Thomas D. Fugate, deputies of V. B. Gilmer, late treasurer of Russell county, to distrain for uncollected taxes for the years 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 201, House bill to authorize the Hampton Roads Villa Company to grade and fill in its water-front, erect a pier, wharf, and bulkhead, and charge tolls therefor, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 202, House bill to amend and re-enact section one of an act entitled an act to require the payment of fees on certain charters, approved February 10, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 28, 1890, and further amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 22, 1894, and as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1896, and as further amended by an act approved March 1, 1898, in relation to charters,

was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 203, House bill extending the time for the collection of tax tickets in the town of Colonial Beach, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MORRIS from the committee on public institutions and education reported, with the recommendation that it be referred to the committee on finance and banks and with the further recommendation that the bill pass, provided the finances of the State justify the expenditure,

No. 175, Senate bill to provide for the establishment of the Virginia State colony for epileptics and to appropriate money therefor.

Mr. LE CARO from the committee on fish and game reported without amendment

No. 79, House bill to prohibit the killing of fish in Clinch river in the county of Russell with dynamite or other explosive and to prescribe a punishment therefor,

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 125, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code, in relation to fish ladders, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code of 1887, touching fish ladders approved January 14, 1900.

Mr. FAIRFAX from the committee on finance and banks reported without amendment

No. 249, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 12 (relating to tax on wills and administration) of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is necessary.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 250, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 7 and 17 of an act approved February 20, 1892, in relation to the settlement of the public debt of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 25, 1898, extending the time for the funding of the outstanding evidences of debt due by the Commonwealth not heretofore funded under the acts approved February 14, 1882, and February 20, 1892, as amended.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 255, Senate bill for the relief of A. W. Talley, by repaying to him the amount of a tax twice paid.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 40, Senate bill to amend and re enact section 664 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to redemption of delinquent lands, purchased by the Commonwealth.

And he, from the same committee, reported with substitute

No. 23, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the sale of delinquent lands, purchased by the Commonwealth.

Mr. MORRIS moved that the substitute for No. 23 Senate bill, be printed, which was agreed to.

Mr. SANDS from the committee on general laws, reported with a substitute

No. 108, House bill to provide for the recordation by clerks of the county or corporation courts of lists of conveyances and partitions that may have been returned thereto by the clerk of the general court, and may now be found therein, and declaring the effect to be given said lists when so recorded.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave, presented

No. 279, A bill to amend and re-enact section one of an act entitled "an act to authorize the Governor to grant a conditional pardon to persons confined in the penitentiary upon recommendation of the board of directors of said institution, approved March 3, 1898;" which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. WHITEHEAD, by leave, presented

No. 280, A bill extending time to the personal representative of J. P. Worsham, late deputy treasurer for the treasurer of Pittsylvania county in which to collect tax tickets accounted for to the State; which, on his motion was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WHITEHEAD, by leave (by request), presented

No. 281, A bill to provide for the purchase and distribution among the county, circuit and corporation courts of the State, copies of the supplements to the Code of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 282, a bill to confirm the action of the city council of Alexandria, Va., of May 12, 1868, granting permission to construct the side tract or switch on Wilkes street, between Washington and St. Asaph street, Alexandria, Va., and to legalize the said switch or side track for the use of C. C. Smoot and Sons Co., its successors and assigns, owning certain properties abutting on Wilkes street between Washington and Pitt streets, Alexandria, Va., and making it lawful for the Southern Railway Company and its successors to use the said side track or switch in handling and doing the business of the said C. C. Smoot and Sons Co., its successors or assigns, and any owner of the properties mentioned in this act; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 283, A bill for the relief of Sarah D. Griggs, the widow of a Confederate soldier of the county of Patrick; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 284, A bill for the relief of E. F. Lawrence, the widow of a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 285, A bill to amend and re-enact the VII sub-section of section 19 and the 38 section of the charter of the city of Manchester as enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia by an act entitled: "An act to provide a charter for the city of Manchester," approved March 20th, 1874; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 286, A bill to appropriate annually the sum of five hundred dollars to the Hollywood Memorial Association; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 287, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1258 of the Code of Virginia in relation to railroad companies enclosing their roadbeds with fences and erecting cattle guards, approved February 9, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. LYLE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 288, A bill to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges and to regulate the manner of opening new roads in the county of Montgomery; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time and passed with their titles.

No. 192, to authorize the Low Moor Iron Company of Virginia to construct and use a railway to cross the county roads on Jacksons river and Potts creek, in Alleghany county.

No. 191, to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Dickenson county to appoint a commissioner to take and state the accounts of ex-county officials with the county.

No. 190, to authorize and empower the trustees of Clintwood Primitive Baptist Church to sell and convey a lot of land.

No. 189, to allow Coulbourn Brothers to build a pier in Rappahannock river, near Whealton wharf, in Lancaster county.

No. 188, to allow F. W. Lewis, A. E. Tull, R. L. Bass, and

James P. Saunders to build a pier or piers in Rappahannock river, near Whealton wharf, in Lancaster county.

No. 187, to allow A. S. Mitchell and A. Somers to build a pier in Rappahannock river, near Whealton wharf, in Lancaster county.

No. 103, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Chase City, in the county of Mecklenburg, approved April 1, 1873, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1886, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 31, 1890, was taken up, read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 41, Senate bill in relation to the effect of evidence in suits upon insurance policy as to immaterial allegations in the policy, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. WALKER moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment, which was agreed to.

Mr. WALKER offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. MANN offered a substitute for the bill, which was rejected. The bill was then ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 184, Senate bill to incorporate the Imperial Union of the city of Richmond, was taken up, read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 226, Senate bill to authorize the delivery to the Union Theological Seminary of the Memorials of Hanover Presbytery to the House of Burgesses of 1774 and the Legislature of 1776, on the subject of Religious Liberty, was taken up, read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. MUNFORD offered the following petitions in relation to the bill :

To the General Assembly of Virginia :

The faculty of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia would respectfully unite with the Presbytery of East Hanover in petitioning your honorable body to cause the Memorial of Hanover Presbytery, described in said petition, to be placed in their custody. It is earnestly desired that this document, possessing peculiar interest for Presbyterians, should be placed in their fire-proof library, alongside of other documents of a similar character, and so rendered not only safe, but accessible to all having an interest in it. Along with the above mentioned memorial, and for similar reasons, the faculty would also respectfully petition your honorable body to place in their custody the original of a similar memorial and petition addressed to the House of Burgesses in 1774 by Hanover Presbytery.

In behalf of the faculty,

T. R. ENGLISH, *Chairman.*

UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY,

Richmond, Va., January 3, 1900.

To the General Assembly of Virginia :

The petition of East Hanover Presbytery respectfully represents to your honorable body that the first session of the Legislature of this State, namely the one which met in October, 1776, was charged with changing the laws of the Colony, so as to adopt them to the new order of affairs. One of the most important of these changes was the untrammelling of the exercise of religion from the cords with which it had been bound under the colonial system.

In furtherance of this, Hanover Presbytery presented a memorial to the Assembly, which is one of the ablest, clearest, and most conclusive statements of the principles of religious liberty ever penned. The paper is most highly prized as one of the treasures of the church, both for its ability, and for the effect it had in the subsequent struggle for complete divorce of church and State.

This paper is among the manuscripts preserved in the State library, but by reason of accumulated dust, and the knowing tooth of time, is doomed to destruction if it remains in the present keeping. Indeed, it is already much injured. In order that this precious heirloom of our church may be more carefully preserved, and be more accessible to those who so highly value it, East Hanover Presbytery, the lineal descendant of Hanover Presbytery, respectfully petitions that an act be passed by this honorable body directing the State librarian to deliver to the faculty of Union Theological Seminary, situated near the capitol of the State, the original of the said memorial, a true copy being left in its stead. The faculty of the seminary have a fire proof building in which the paper will be preserved with pious care, as a precious inheritance from our Presbyterian forefathers.

WM. WIRT HENRY,
JERE WITHERSPOON,
R. R. HOWISON,

Committee.

No. 191, Senate bill to authorize and empower chancery courts to confirm sales of land when the purchase price is not sufficient to pay off the liens of taxes, levies and assessments returned delinquent, and apportion the proceeds between State, counties and corporations, and to make valid and firm any sales heretofore made, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 190, Senate bill to direct and authorize county and corporation courts to strike from the list of lands returned delinquent for non-payment of taxes, levies, &c., such as are erroneously thereon, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 215, Senate bill to incorporate the Eastern Shore of Vir-

ginia Produce Exchange, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 246, Senate bill to incorporate the Golden Chain Society of Westmoreland county, Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 20, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3680 of Code in regard to rape, was taken up, read the second time, committee substitute agreed to.

Mr. LE CATO offered an amendment, which was rejected.

Mr BARKSDALE moved to pass the bill by, and make it the special and continuing order for Tuesday, January 23d, at one o'clock P. M., which was agreed to.

No. 125, Senate bill to provide for selling, granting and conveying to the Colonial Water Company ten acres of land lying under the waters of the York river in the county of Gloucester, and to permit said company to hold said land and to erect a hotel and other buildings thereon, was taken up, read the second time, committee substitute agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 102, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges of the county of Goochland, approved January 6, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. COGBILL (two-thirds concurring) was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 98, Senate bill to incorporate the Jamestown, Williamsburg, and Yorktown Railroad Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. TYLER (two-thirds concurring) was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 19, Senate bill to make it unlawful to manufacture, sell, or offer to sell any article, compound or preparation for the purpose of being used, or which is intended to be used in the preparation of food, in which article, compound or preparation there is any arsenic, calomel, bismuth, ammonia or alum, and to provide punishment therefor, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. STEELE was indefinitely postponed.

No. 161, Senate bill for the relief of E. W. Armistead, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. WICKHAM moved that all House bills passed this day be communicated; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS the Senate adjourned until Monday, January 22d, at twelve o'clock.

MONDAY, JANUARY 22, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of Thursday read by the clerk.

Communications from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, were read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 18, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 614 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved February 29, 1888, as amended by an act approved March 5, 1888, in relation to the compensation of county and city treasurers, No. 127; an act to amend and re-enact section 2-6 and 8 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Lawrenceville, Virginia, approved April 29th 1874, and to add two additional sections to said act, No. 272; an act to incorporate the Cross Keys Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company, No. 240.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend an re-enact section 3179 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to clerks' offices, No. 204; an act to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 17, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to who may practice law in this State, No. 205; an act to submit the question of a stock law to the voters of Manassas district, in the county of Prince William, No. 206; an act to compensate school trustees, other than clerks of district school boards, in Sussex and Greenville counties, and also to compensate the clerk and members of the county school board, No. 209; an act to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in the county of Montgomery, No. 210; an act to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to define a lawful fence for the county of Warwick, approved March 3, 1892, approved March 4, 1898, No. 212; an act to amend and re-enact section 815 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to bonds of city treasurers, as amended and re enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 815 of the Code of Virginia, approved December 27, 1897, No. 213; and an act to confirm the action of the city council of Alexandria of May 12, 1868, granting permission to construct the side track or switch on Wilkes street between Washington street and St. Asaph street, Alexandria, Virginia, and to legalize the said switch or the side track for the use of C. C. Smoot and Sons Company, its successors and assigns, owning certain properties abutting on Wilkes street between Washington and Pitt streets, Alexandria, Virginia, and making it lawful for the Southern Railway Company and its successors to use the side track or switch in handling and doing the business of

the said C. C. Smoot and Sons Company, its successors and assigns, No. 218.

In which bills they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

In House of Delegates, January 20, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 12 of an act entitled an act to enlarge the powers of the Richmond Traction Company, approved January 12, 1898, No. 86; and an act to incorporate the Eastern Shore of Virginia Produce Exchange, No. 215.

They have passed House bills entitled an act authorizing J. T. Houchins, surety for J. A. Adams, ex-deputy treasurer of Patrick county, to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected taxes and levies assessed in Smiths river district of said county for the years of 1895, 1896, and 1897, No. 214; an act to amend and re-enact section 33 of chapter 244, imposing a tax on peddlers of coal and wood, No. 215; an act to amend and re-enact section 622 of the Code of Virginia in reference to the property that may be distrained for taxes, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 15, 1890, as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 2, 1894, as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, and to provide for the collection of unpaid taxes by renting real estate and to fix the fees and charges in connection with proceedings under this act, No. 216; an act to allow J. H. Whealton and E. B. Blackman to build a pier in Rapahannock river near Whealton, at or near the mouth of Moratico creek, No. 221.

In which bills they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 204, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3179 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to clerks' offices, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 205, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 17, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to who may practice law in this State, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 206, House bill to submit the question of a stock law to the voters of Manassas district, in the county of Prince William, was taken up, twice read and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE, (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring) was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. DONOHUE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 209, House bill to compensate school trustees, others than clerks of district school boards, in Sussex and Greenville counties, and also to compensate the clerk and members of the county school board, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on public instruction and education.

No. 210, House bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in the county of Montgomery, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring) was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 212, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to define a lawful fence for the county of Warwick, approved March 3, 1892, approved March 4, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring) was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 213, House bill to amend and re-enact section 815 of the Code of Virginia in reference to bonds of city treasurers, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 218, House bill to confirm the action of the city council of Alexandria of May 12, 1868, granting permission to construct the side-track or switch on Wilkes street, between Washington street and Saint Asaph street, Alexandria, Virginia, and to legalize the said switch or the side-track for the use of C. C. Smoot and Sons Company, its successors and assigns, owning certain properties abutting on Wilkes street, between Washington and Pitt streets, Alexandria, Virginia; and making it lawful for the Southern Railway Company and its successors to use the side-track or switch in handling and doing the business of the said C. C. Smoot and Sons Company, its successors and assigns, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. DONOHUE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 214, House bill authorizing J. T. Houchins, surety for J. A. Adams, ex-deputy treasurer of Patrick county, to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected taxes and levies assessed in Smiths river district of said county, for the years of 1895, 1896, and 1897, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 215, House bill to amend and re-enact section 33 of chapter 244, imposing a tax on peddlers of coal and wood, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 216, House bill to amend and re-enact section 622 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to the property that may be dis-

trained for taxes, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 15, 1890, as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 2, 1894, as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, and to provide for the collection of unpaid taxes by renting real estate, and to fix the fees and charges in connection with proceedings under this act, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 221, House bill to allow J. H. Whealton and E. B. Blackman to build a pier in Rappahannock river near Whealton, at or near the mouth of Moratico creek, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, from the committee on agriculture, mining, and manufacturing, reported with amendments

No. 157, Senate bill to prescribe the weight of a bushel of apples, and the size of barrels used for packing and shipping the same.

Mr. EGGLESTON from the committee on courts of justice, reported with amendments

No. 58, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3650 in chapter 178 of the Code of Virginia of 1887, in regard to exemptions.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 65, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code as amended by act approved February 17, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to who may practice law in this State.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 189, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3385 of the Code of Virginia relating to a bill of exceptions.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendment to title

No. 107, House bill to amend and re-enact section 717 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved March 1, 1898 relating to fines and costs before justices of the peace.

Mr. LECATO, from the committee on fish and game, reported the following committee bill

No. 289, Senate bill to amend and re-enact independent section 11, of an act entitled, "An act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2137, 2148, 2151, 2153," and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145 and 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia in relation to oysters and to add independent section, thereto, approved February 25, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 831, of the acts of 1895 and 1896, approved March 5, 1896.

He, from the same committee, reported the following committee bill

No. 290, Senate bill to regulate the taking and catching of clams for sale or planting in the waters of the commonwealth.

He, from the same committee, reported the following committee bill

No. 291, Senate bill to provide for setting apart and designating crabbing grounds in the waters of the commonwealth.

And he, from the same committee, reported the following committee bill

No. 292, Senate bill to allow lessees of fifty or more contiguous acres of planting ground to dredge or scrape the same under certain conditions, and to impose a penalty for dredging or scraping planting grounds except as provided for in this act.

He, from the same committee, reported the following committee bill

No. 293, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2131 of the Code of Virginia as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131 of the Code of Virginia as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2137, 2148, 2151, 2153 and to repeal sections 2144, 2145 and 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia in relation to oysters and to add independent sections thereto approved February 24, 1894.

He, from the same committee, reported the following committee bill

No. 294, Senate bill to authorize and empower the State board of fisheries to employ a surveyor or surveyors and making an appropriation for compensation of the same.

And he, from the same committee, reported the following committee bill

No. 295, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3, chapter 743 of the Acts of 1893 and 1894 in relation to time of assessing for taxation of oysters and shells &c., approved March 4, 1898.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 296, A bill to incorporate the Century Banking and Safe Deposit Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported the bill without amendment.

On motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring) was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 297, A bill for the relief of George B. Keezell, Pembroke Pettitt and John A. Curtis; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 298, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact the first sub-division of section 8, chapter 1, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes therein for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and to prescribe the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, so as to provide for the listing of bonds, notes, stocks and other evidences of debt subject to taxation, approved January 20, 1898, approved February 14, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 299, A bill to amend and re-enact the first, third, sixth and eleventh sections of an act entitled an act to give aid to soldiers, sailors, and marines of Virginia, maimed or disabled in the war between the States, and to the widows of Virginia soldiers, sailors and marines, who lost their lives in said war, in the military services, approved March 5, 1888, so as to embrace and give pensions to indigent and decrepit soldiers, sailors and marines; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 300, A bill to provide for the inspection of steam boilers, and to create the office of boiler inspector; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. LUTTON, by leave, presented

No. 301, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3319 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved February 12, 1898, in relation to the appointment of commissioners in chancery; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. ST CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 302, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 14, 17, 19, 21 of an act of the General Assembly entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act for working and keeping in repair the roads of the county of Tazewell, approved February 24th, 1888, and further to provide for permanent improvement of the roads in said county, approved February 29, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 12, 1894, as amended by an act approved January 11, 1900; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor) was placed on the calendar.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 303, A bill for creating and establishing a teachers' retirement fund in the city of Richmond; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. WHITEHEAD, by leave, presented

No. 304, A bill for the relief of A. J. Ramsey a Confederate soldier of Pittsylvania county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WHITEHEAD, by leave, presented

No. 305, A bill to amend and re-enact the charter of the town of Chatham; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. WHITEHEAD, by leave, presented

No. 306, A bill for the relief of Harriett G. Hodnett, widow of a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. TATE, by leave, presented

No. 307, A bill to make dogs listed for State and corporations taxes within the town of Pulaski, or upon which a specific license tax has been paid in the said town, personal property and subjects of petit larceny and trespass; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. TATE, by leave, presented

No. 308, A bill for the relief of W. C. Layman, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 309, A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Nottoway county to remit the amount due said county by Herman Jackson its late clerk; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 310, A bill for the relief of Grief C. Chumney, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 311, A bill to prohibit the attachment or garnishment of wages of a laboring man, who is a house holder or head of a fam-

ily, save after three months notice in writing; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. WALLACE, by leave, presented

No. 312, A bill for the relief of C. L. Kennedy, ex-sheriff of Stafford county, Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

The clerk of the Senate read the following communication :

ANNAPOLIS, *January 18, 1900.*

*Gentlemen of the Senate and House of Delegates
of the General Assembly of Virginia :*

I have the honor to address your honorable body of the appointment of a joint special committee, consisting of five members, two on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House of Delegates of the General Assembly of Maryland, to correspond or confer if desired with your honorable body, or a committee thereof, for the purpose of protecting and increasing the food fisheries of the waters of the Chesapeake bay and its tributaries. With great respect, I am,

Yours very truly,

WM. F. APPLGARTH, *Chairman.*

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved, The House of Delegates concurring that a special joint committee consisting of five members, two on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House, be appointed to confer with a similar committee from the General Assembly of Maryland, for the purpose of protecting and increasing the food fisheries of the waters of the Chesapeake bay, and its tributaries; which was agreed to, and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. SAUNDERS, who informed the Senate that that house had concurred in the Senate joint resolution appointing a committee to confer with a similar committee from the General Assembly of Maryland for the purpose of protecting and increasing the food fisheries of the waters of the Chesapeake bay and its tributaries.

No. 225, Senate bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Mathews county, their successors in office, or their agent to bid for and purchase certain real estate, now advertised for sale by the sheriff of Mathews county, belonging to Walter Hudgins, Elijah Buchanan, W. J. Callis, and Laban Hudgins, and if they should purchase to re-sell and make to the purchaser a good and valid deed.

Mr. BLAKEY, moved to discharge the committee from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion, (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

A petition of citizens of Mecklenburg county in relation to passage of bill providing separate cars on railroads, which was referred to committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 174, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to provide for a charter of the town of Onancock in the county of Accomac, approved February 15, 1882; and to amend and re-enact section 5 of the above mentioned act, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act to provide charter for the town of Onancock, in the county of Accomac, approved February 14, 1898, was taken up.

Mr. LE CATO offered amendments, which were agreed to, read the third time, and passed with its title.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. FITZPATRICK, as follows:

Resolved by the House of Delegates, (the Senate concurring), That the Hon. Wm. Jennings Bryan, the greatest living exponent of the time honored principles of the Democratic party be, and he is hereby invited to address the Virginia Legislature, at such time during its present session as may best suit his convenience.

Which was agreed to.

And on motion of Mr. BRUCE, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 79, House bill to prohibit the killing of fish in Clinch river in the county of Russell, with dynamite or other explosive and to prescribe a punishment therefor, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 125, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code; in relation to fish-ladders, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code of 1887, touching fish-ladders, approved January 14, 1890, was taken up and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM, recommitted to the committee on fish and game.

No. 196, House bill for the relief of A. F. Stone, late treasurer of Smyth county, and to authorize the auditor of public accounts to credit said treasurer with lost school warrant, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 41, Senate bill in relation to the effect of evidence in suits upon insurance policy as to immaterial allegations in the policy, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 125, Senate bill to provide for selling, granting and conveying to the Colonial Water Company ten acres of land lying under the waters of the York river in the county of Gloucester and to permit said company to hold said land and to erect a hotel and other buildings thereon, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 23, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the sale of delinquent lands purchased by the commonwealth, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. CLAYTOR, passed by and made a special and continuing order for Wednesday, July 24, at 1 o'clock P. M.

No. 40, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 664 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to redemption of delinquent lands purchased by the commonwealth, was taken up, read the second time and on motion of Mr. CLAYTOR passed by and made a special and continuing order for Wednesday, January 24, at 1 o'clock P. M.

No. 249, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 12 (relating to tax on wills and administration) of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is necessary, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WICKHAM, (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 22; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES.—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Jeffries, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Whitehead and Wickham—22.

NOES—None.

No. 250, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 7 and 17 of an act approved February 20, 1892, in relation to the settlement of the public debt of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 25, 1898, extending the time for the funding of the outstanding evidences of debt due by the commonwealth not heretofore funded under the acts approved February 14, 1882, and February 20, 1892, as amended, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 255, Senate bill for the relief of A. W. Talley by repaying to him the amount of a tax twice paid, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and

being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. GLASS (two-thirds concurring) was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 23; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Foster, Glass, Jeffries, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—23.

NOES—None.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. SAUNDERS, who informed the Senate that the House of Delegates had passed

No. 243. House bill to provide for the payment of charter fees when charters granted by the courts are ratified in whole or in part by the General Assembly of Virginia.

The bill was subsequently taken up, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

On motion of Mr. TATE the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 22, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed House bills entitled an act to authorize the town of Luray to borrow money, No. 175; an act to amend and re-enact an act of session 1897-98 making Tye river in Nelson county a lawful fence from its mouth to Gulf Ford, No. 219; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Botetourt county to issue bonds for the purpose of redeeming the outstanding bonds of the said county which were issued to redeem the bonds of said county, issued in payment of its subscription to the capital stock of the Valley Railroad Company, or to exchange new bonds for the said outstanding bonds, and to fix the situs of the bonds issued hereunder for taxation, No. 223; an act to enable the town of Fincastle, in Botetourt county, to vote on the question of liquor license, and to extend the provisions of chapter 25 of the Code of Virginia so as to apply to said town, No. 224; an act to

fix the salary of the board of supervisors of Fauquier county, No. 225; an act to amend and re-enact sections 2 and 3 of an act approved March 2, 1898, to authorize the board of supervisors of Floyd county to let to contract the public roads of that county and levy a tax to keep the same in repair, No. 227; an act to authorize the several district school boards of the counties of Prince George and Surry to expend any part of the surplus district school fund for pay of teachers, No. 228; an act to allow Captain N. B. Rich to erect a wharf or pier in Assateague harbor, Accomac county, Virginia, No. 230; and an act to amend and re-enact section 499 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the listing of dogs for taxation, No. 197.

In which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 175, House bill to authorize the town of Luray to borrow money, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GOLD, (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 219, House bill to amend and re-enact an act of session 1897-8, making Tye river, in Nelson county, a lawful fence from its mouth to Gulf ford, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 223, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Botetourt county to issue bonds for the purpose of redeeming the outstanding bonds of said county, which were issued to redeem the bonds of said county, issued in payment of its subscription to the capital stock of the Valley Railroad Company, or to exchange new bonds for the said outstanding bonds, and to fix the situs of the bonds issued hereunder for taxation, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD, (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 224, House bill to enable the town of Fincastle, in Botetourt county, to vote on the question of liquor license; and to extend the provisions of chapter 25 of the Code of Virginia so as to apply to said town, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD, (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 225, House bill to fix the salary of the board of supervisors of Fauquier county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 227, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2 and 3 of an act approved March 2, 1898, to authorize the board of supervisors of Floyd county to let to contract the public roads of that county and levy a tax to keep the same in repair, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DINWIDDIE, (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 228, House bill to authorize the several district school boards of the counties of Prince George and Surry to expend any part of the surplus district school fund for pay of teachers, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 230, House bill to allow Captain N. B. Rich to erect a wharf or pier in Assateague harbor, Accomac county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read and on motion of Mr. LE CATO, (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 197, House bill to amend and re-enact section 499 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the listing of dogs for taxation, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MORRIS, from the committee on public institutions and education, reported without amendment

No. 269, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Bland county to levy a tax for district school purposes.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 277, Senate bill to compensate school trustees in the county of Montgomery.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 278, Senate bill, to compensate school trustees other than clerks of district boards in Craig county and members of the county school board of said county.

On motion of Mr. LYLE, the bill was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 279, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act entitled an act to authorize the Governor to grant a conditional pardon to persons confined in the penitentiary upon recommendation of the board of directors of said institution, approved March 3, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 267, Senate bill to authorize the county school board of Chesterfield county to pay the treasurer for disbursing school funds.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 209, House bill to compensate school trustees, others than clerks of district school boards, in Sussex and Greenville counties, and also to compensate the clerk and members of the county school board.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 184, House bill to compensate school trustees others than clerks of district school boards, in the counties of Green and Madison.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, cities and town reported without amendment

No. 247, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 95 of the Code of Virginia relating to the appointment of county surveyor and superintendant of the poor as to the county of Tazewell.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 54, House bill extending and defining the boundaries of the town of Hampton upon conditions.

Mr. LE CATO from the committee on fish and game, reported the following committee bill

No. 313, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 18, 1890, in relation to fishing in the waters of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to provide for levying a tax on fishing devices and to provide for collecting the same, approved March 3, 1898, and to extend the provisions of said act to include all the waters within the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 314, A bill for the protection of game in Bedford county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. GOLD, by leave, presented

No. 315, A bill to enable the board of supervisors of Clarke county to borrow money and issue bonds therefor; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 316, A bill to amend and re-enact section 4 of chapter 700 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act to provide for a method of voting by ballot, approved March 6, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 6, 1896; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

Mr. FOSTER, by leave (by request), presented

No. 317, A bill making it unlawful to fish within regularly hauled fishing landings on Chesapeake bay in Princess Anne county, Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave (by request), presented

No. 318, A bill to incorporate the Fallsburg Power and Manufacturing Company; which, on his motion, was read the first,

ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave, presented

No. 319, A bill to amend and re-enact section twenty-three of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on person, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, and also to amend and re-enact section twenty-five of the same act, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 320, A bill to incorporate the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 321, A bill to incorporate the Russell Fork and Eastern Railroad Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 322, A bill for the relief of E. W. Maxwell, late treasurer of Wise county, and securities on his official bond from excess of interest over six per centum; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 323, A bill for the relief of Louisa J. Barron, widow of a Confederate soldier of Wise county, which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 324, A bill for the relief of R. B. Seay, late treasurer of Lunenburg county, and his deputies; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LURTON, by leave, presented

No. 325, A bill to validate the purchase by the board of supervisors of Frederick county of a lot in the city of Winchester and to declare the uses therein; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr.

JONES, who informed the Senate that the House had passed the following joint resolution :

Whereas an invitation has been extended to the Hon. William Jennings Bryan to address the General Assembly of Virginia, now be it resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring,

That a committee be appointed, three on the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, to communicate the invitation and ascertain the time most convenient for him to accept.

Which was agreed to.

No. 108, House bill to provide for the recordation by clerks of the county or corporation courts of lists of conveyances and partitions that may have been returned thereto by the clerk of the general court, and may now be found therein, and declaring the effect to be given said lists when so recorded, was taken up, read the third time, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS, recommitted to the committee on general laws.

No. 107, House bill to amend and re-enact section seven hundred and seventeen of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved March 1, 1898, relating to fines and costs before justices of the peace, was taken up, read the third time, and passed.

The committee amended the title by adding after the word peace the following: "So as to give effect to judgments for fines and costs imposed by mayors of towns incorporated under the general laws for violation of a town ordinance."

Which was agreed to.

No. 161. Senate bill for the relief of E. W. Armistead, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. BARKSDALE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 250, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 7 and 17 of an act approved February 20, 1892, in relation to the settlement of the public debt of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 25, 1898, extending the time for the funding of the outstanding evidences of debt due by the commonwealth not heretofore funded under the acts approved February 14, 1882, and February 20, 1892, as amended, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 28; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Mann, Maynard, Morris, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—28.

NOES—None.

No. 303, Senate bill creating and establishing a teacher's retirement fund in the city of Richmond, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 302, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 14, 17, 19,

21 of an act of the General Assembly, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act for working and keeping in repair the roads of the county of Tazewell, approved February 24, 1888, and further to provide for permanent improvement of the roads in said county, approved February 29, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 12, 1894, as amended by an act approved January 11, 1900, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read the third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. St. CLAIR (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 189, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3385 of the Code of Virginia, relating to a bill of exceptions, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 20, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3680 of Code in regard to rape.

No. 21, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3888 of the Code of Virginia, 1887, entitled how attempts to commit offences punished, were taken up, and on motion of Mr. BARKSDALE, passed by and made the special and continuing order for Thursday, January 25th, at 1 P. M.

No. 58, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3650 in chapter 178, of the Code of Virginia of 1887, in regard to exemptions, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 289, Senate bill to amend and re-enact independent section 11 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2137, 2148, 2151, 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145 and 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 25, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 831 of the Acts of 1895 and 1896, approved March 5, 1896, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 290, Senate bill to regulate the taking and catching of clams for sale or planting in the waters of the Commonwealth, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 291, Senate bill to provide for setting apart and designating crabbing grounds in the waters of the Commonwealth, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 293, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2131 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2131 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2137, 2148, 2151, 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145, and 2147 of

chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 24, 1894, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 294, Senate bill to authorize and empower the State board of fisheries to employ a surveyor or surveyors, and making an appropriation for compensation of the same, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. KEEZELL offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 295, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3, chapter 743, of the acts of 1893 and 1894, in relation to time of assessing for taxation of oysters, shells, &c., approved March 4, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. LYLE the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 23, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to provide for the erection and maintaining of watering troughs for the use of horses and cattle on public roads of the county of Bedford, and providing penalties for injuring and destruction of same, No. 217; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Chase City, in the county of Mecklenburg, approved April 1, 1873, as amended and re-enacted by an act, approved March 3, 1886, as amended and re-enacted by an act, approved January 31, 1890, No. 103; an act for the relief of A. W. Talley by repaying to him the amount of a tax twice paid, No. 255; an act to incorporate the Century Banking and Safe Deposit Company, No. 296; an act to amend and re-enact the charter of the Danville Street Car Company, and to change its name, No. 59; and an act to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Mathews county, their successors in office, or their agent, to bid for and purchase certain real estate, now advertised

for sale by the sheriff of Mathews county, belonging to Walter Hudgins, Elijah Buchanan, W. J. Callis, and Laban Hudgins, and if they should purchase to re-sell and make to the purchaser a good and valid deed, No. 225.

They have agreed to the amendment of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to authorize Barbour district school board in Orange county, to transfer \$500 of its surplus fund to the county school board, No. 104.

They have passed with amendments Senate bill entitled an act authorizing the city of Manchester to construct, lay down, and operate its water works, water mains, and pipes in the county of Chesterfield, in order to afford a water supply and fire protection for manufacturing plants and other establishments in the suburbs of said city within one mile of the corporate limits thereof, and for that purpose to enter upon and use the necessary county roads and streets in said county and to condemn rights of way or streets where necessary, under such ordinances and regulations as the city council may adopt and establish, No. 56.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to ratify and confirm an agreement entered into on June 20, 1899, between the Young Men's Christian Association of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and the board of visitors of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute, as to the use of a building being erected on the grounds of the said institute, No. 217; an act to provide a new charter for the town of Clifton Forge, in the county of Alleghany, No. 222; an act to amend and re-enact chapter 216, acts 1881-1882 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the James River and Blackwater Railroad and Lumber Company, approved March 6, 1882, authorizing it to construct branch lines not exceeding twenty miles in length, No. 226; an act to provide for the garnishment of and levy of execution on wages and salaries of all State officials, clerks and employees, No. 231; an act to allow the Michie Company to publish certain reports of the decisions of the Court of Appeals of Virginia, No. 232; an act to prescribe the time for holding the circuit court for the eighth judicial circuit and to regulate the compensation of the judge thereof, No. 234; an act to amend and re-enact section 103 of chapter 533 of Acts of General Assembly of Virginia of 1895-6, entitled an act to provide a new charter for the city of Roanoke, No. 236; an act to authorize the council of the town of Salem, of Roanoke county, Virginia, to issue new bonds of said town sufficient to retire the bonds issued under the power given it by its charter, known as improvement bonds of the town of Salem, No. 237; an act to validate sewer assessments made by the council of the town of Salem, by virtue of the 24th section of an act approved February 12, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 21, 1836, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Salem, in the county of Botetourt, and all acts amendatory thereof, No. 238; an

act to amend and re-enact an act to constitute the town of Salem and adjoining territory a separate school district, No. 239; an act to amend and re-enact sections 14 and 19 of the charter of the town of Salem, in the county of Roanoke, No. 240; an act to ratify and confirm the action of the board of supervisors of Greenville county, had on the second day of September, 1899, by which they declared and made the boundary lines of the lots and tracts of land in Belfield magisterial district of said county a lawful fence, and to make said boundary lines a lawful fence, and to declare section 2038 of the Code inoperative as to said district, No. 241; an act for the sale of a house and lot belonging to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Lee county, No. 242; an act to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in the county of Carroll, No. 245; an act to amend and re-enact sections 4, 8, 12 and 17 of an act entitled an act to create Northside district, in Brookland magisterial district, in the county of Henrico, and to provide for lighting and sewerage in said Northside district, and for making and maintaining other improvements of a public nature therein; approved February 10, 1898, No. 246; and an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to regulate the hunting or trapping of muskrats in the county of Accomac, approved December 20, 1897, No. 247. In which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 56, Senate bill authorizing the city of Manchester to construct, lay down, and operate its water works, water mains, and pipes in the county of Chesterfield, in order to afford a water supply and fire protection for manufacturing plants and other establishments in the suburbs of said city within one mile of the corporate limits thereof, and for that purpose to enter upon and use the necessary county roads and streets in said county and to condemn rights of way or streets where necessary, under such ordinances and regulations as the city council may adopt and establish, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. COGBILL moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 217, House bill to ratify and confirm an agreement entered into on June 20, 1899, between the Young Men's Christian Association of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the board of visitors of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute, as to the use of a building being erected on the grounds of the said institute, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 222, House bill to provide a new charter for the town of Clifton Forge, in the county of Alleghany, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 226, House bill to amend and re-enact chapter 216, acts of 1881-1882, of an act entitled an act to incorporate the James River

and Blackwater Railroad and Lumber Company, approved March 6, 1882, authorizing it to construct branch lines not exceeding twenty miles in length, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 231, House bill to provide for the garnishment of and levy of execution on wages and salaries of all State officials, clerks, and employees, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 232, House bill to allow the Michie Company to publish certain reports of the decisions of the Court of Appeals of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 234, House bill to prescribe the time for holding the circuit court for the eighth judicial circuit and to regulate the compensation of the judge thereof, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. TYLER moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 236, House bill to amend and re-enact section 103 of chapter 533 of acts of General Assembly of Virginia of 1895-6, entitled an act to provide a new charter for the city of Roanoke, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 237, House bill to authorize the council of the town of Salem, of Roanoke county, Virginia, to issue new bonds of said town sufficient to retire the bonds issued under the power given it by its charter, known as improvement bonds of the town of Salem, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 238, House bill to validate sewer assessments made by the council of the town of Salem, by virtue of the 24th section of an act approved February 12, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 21, 1836, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Salem, in the county of Botetourt, and all acts amendatory thereof, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 239, House bill to amend and re-enact an act to constitute the town of Salem and adjoining territory a separate school district, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 240, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 14 and 19 of the charter of the town of Salem, in the county of Roanoke, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 241, House bill to ratify and confirm the action of the board of supervisors of Greensville county, had on the second day of September, 1899, by which they declared and made the bound-

ary lines of the lots and tracts of land in Belfield magisterial district of said county a lawful fence, and to make said boundary lines a lawful fence, and to declare section 2038 of the Code inoperative as to said district, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. HARTLEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 242, House bill for the sale of a house and lot belonging to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Lee county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 245, House bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in the county of Carroll, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 246, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 4, 8, 12 and 17 of an act entitled an act to create Northside district in Brookland magisterial district, in the county of Henrico, and to provide for lighting and sewerage in said Northside district, and for making and maintaining other improvements of a public nature therein, approved February 10, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 247, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to regulate the hunting or trapping of muskrats in the county of Accomac, approved December 20, 1897, was taken up, twice read and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported with an amendment

No. 128, Senate bill to prevent the sale of adulterated and unbranded food in the State of Virginia

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 158, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 1744, 1745, 1746, 1747, 1749, 1750 and 1752 of chapter 77 of the Code, regulating the practice of medicine and surgery in Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 159, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 4106 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 23, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 9, 1898, in relation to the jurisdiction of police justices and justices of the peace as to the trial of offenders in certain cases.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 160, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 90 and 93 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on li-

censes to transacting business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof in cases where a court certificate is required.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 320, Senate bill to incorporate the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. SANDS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. SANDS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 154, House bill granting to Mary F. Anthony the right to erect a breakwater and wharves on her property on Hampton river.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 155, House bill to amend and re-enact an act granting to M. C. Armstrong the right to establish a ferry from Blackbeards Point, on Hampton creek in the county of Elizabeth City, to the opposite side of Hampton creek, approved February 26, 1898, so as to provide for a ferry from the town of Hampton to Blackbeards Point, and other points on Hampton creek and Herbert's creek.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 180, House bill to incorporate the Childrens' Home Society of Virginia.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 179, House bill to incorporate the Newport News and Richmond Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported without amendment

No. 194, House bill to require railroad companies to provide separate cars for white and colored passengers.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 40, House bill defining the duty and prescribing the liability of those operating railroads as to overhead bridges and structures.

Mr. EGGLESTON, from the committee on public institutions and education, reported the following committee bill

No. 326, Senate bill to provide for the erection of suitable buildings upon the grounds of the State penitentiary for the better care and safety of the convicts confined in said penitentiary, and recommended that the committee on public institutions and education be discharged from further consideration of the bill, and that it be referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 327, A bill to incorporate the Petersburg and Clairmont Terminal Railroad and Improvement Company, and to define its

powers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. DINWIDDIE, by leave, presented

No. 328, A bill for the relief of George A. King, a Confederate soldier, of Floyd county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. OPIE, by leave, presented

No. 329, A bill to authorize the special issue of bonds by the city of Staunton for the purpose of obtaining a water supply by gravity and empowering the said city to acquire and control the requisite water rights and land in connection therewith, and to police the same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. FAIRFAX, by leave, presented

No. 320, A bill to provide payment out of the public treasury to Fauquier county, to the amount of criminal expenses erroneously paid by said county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

No. 331, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2136 of the Code of Virginia as to right of owner to plant oysters in any creek, &c., within his survey; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

Mr. SHANDS, by leave (by request, presented

No. 332, A bill to refund to the American Cement Company, excess of tax for recordation of deed; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No. 333, A bill to incorporate the Southern Seminary at Bowling Green, Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. BARKSDALE presented a petition of voters of Scotsburg precinct, Halifax county, Virginia, asking for the passage for separate cars for white and colored passengers.

Mr. LYLE presented a petition from citizens of Roanoke against passage of separate car bill.

Mr. BLAKEY, by leave, presented a petition of Fisherman's Association of Mathews county, for repeal of tax on pound nets, &c.; which was read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 224, House bill to enable the town of Fincastle, in Bote-

tourt county, to vote on the question of liquor license, and to extend the provisions of chapter 25 of the Code of Virginia so as to apply to said town, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 223, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Botetourt county to issue bonds for the purpose of redeeming the outstanding bonds of said county, which were issued to redeem the bonds of said county, issued in payment of its subscription to the capital stock of the Valley Railroad Company, or to exchange new bonds for the said outstanding bonds, and to fix the situs of the bonds issued hereunder for taxation, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 230, House bill to allow Captain N. B. Rich to erect a wharf or pier in Assateague harbor, Accomac county, Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 209, House bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks of district school boards, in Sussex and Greenville counties, and also to compensate the clerk and members of the county school board, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 184, House bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks of district school boards, in the counties of Greene and Madison, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 54, House bill extending and defining the boundaries of the town of Hampton, upon conditions, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 189, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3385 of the Code of Virginia, relating to a bill of exceptions, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 58, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3650, in chapter 178, of the Code of Virginia of 1887, in regard to exemptions, was taken up, read the third time, and passed.

The committee amended the title to read as follows: To amend and re-enact section 3650, of Code of Virginia as amended and re-enacted by act approved February 28, 1890, relating to exemptions from levy or distress, which was agreed to.

No. 289, Senate bill to amend and re-enact independent section 11 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2137, 2148, 2151, 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145 and 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 25, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 831 of the Acts of 1895 and 1896, approved March 5, 1896, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 290, Senate bill to regulate the taking and catching of clams for sale or planting in the waters of the Commonwealth, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 291, Senate bill to provide for setting apart and designating crabbing grounds in the waters of the Commonwealth, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 293, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2131 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2131 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2137, 2148, 2151, 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145, and 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 24, 1894, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 294, Senate bill to authorize and empower the State board of fisheries to employ a surveyor or surveyors, and making an appropriation for compensation of the same, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 32; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—32.

NOES—None.

No. 295, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3, chapter 743, of the acts of 1893 and 1894, in relation to time of assessing for taxation of oysters, shells &c., approved March 4, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 278, Senate bill to compensate school trustees other than clerks of district boards in Craig county and members of the county school board of said county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 65, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code, as amended by act approved February 17, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to who may practice law in this State, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. MANN offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. COGBILL offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 313, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 18, 1890, in relation to fishing in the waters of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to provide for levying a tax on fishing devices and to provide for

collecting the same, approved March 3, 1898, and to extend the provisions of said act to include all the waters within the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 247, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 95 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the appointment of county surveyor and superintendent of the poor as to the county of Tazewell, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 279, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act entitled an act to authorize the Governor to grant a conditional pardon to persons confined in the penitentiary upon recommendation of the board of directors of said institution, approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 277, Senate bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in the county of Montgomery, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. LYLE, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

No. 269, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Bland county to levy a tax for district school purposes, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. TATE, recommitted to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 267, Senate bill to authorize the county school board of Chesterfield county to pay the treasurer for disbursing school fund, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 23, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the sale of delinquent lands purchased by the Commonwealth.

No. 40, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 664 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to redemption of delinquent lands purchased by the Commonwealth, were taken up, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE, passed by, and made the special, and continuing order for Monday, January 29, 1 o'clock P. M.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs GLASS and BARKSDALE as a committee on the part of the Senate under joint resolution inviting Hon. William Jennings Bryan to address the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 24, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 457 of the Code of Virginia in relation to what real estate exempt from taxation, No. 108; and an act creating and establishing a teachers retirement fund in the city of Richmond, No. 303.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to provide for a charter of the town of Onancock in the county of Accomac, approved February 15, 1882; and to amend and re-enact section 5 of the above mentioned act, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act to provide charter for the town of Onancock, in the county of Accomac, approved February 14, 1898, No. 174.

They have passed with amendments Senate bill entitled an act for the relief of C. B. Gibson, of Lee county, No. 138.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to prevent hogs from running at large in the county of Grayson, No. 244; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 7, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Ridgeway, in the county of Henry, No. 211; an act to provide for the apportionment of taxes, levies, or assessments, whether State, county, or municipal, and providing for the necessary proceedings therefor, No. 233; an act to provide that a convict in the penitentiary of Virginia whose term expires on Sunday shall be discharged by the superintendent on the preceding day, No. 248; an act providing for a special road law for Lee county, Virginia, No. 255; an act to amend and re-enact section 18 and sub-sections 6, 7, and 9, of section 19, and section 25 of the act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Richmond, and the several acts of the General Assembly amendatory thereof, concerning the powers of the city council, No. 256; an act to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act approved February 24, 1888, entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Richmond, by adding additional sections to chapter IV, concerning city officers, so as to provide for the appointment of a board of public interests, No. 257; an act to amend and re-enact section 4 of an act entitled an act to extend the corporate limits of the city of Richmond, approved February 19, 1892, No. 258; an act to compensate the school trustees other than clerks of the

boards, for service rendered in the county of Pittsylvania, No. 259; an act to authorize the common council of the city of Roanoke, in the State of Virginia, to levy and collect an annual rental for the use of sewers, No. 260; an act to allow M. L. Price to build a wharf in Machodoc creek, King George county, No. 261; an act to protect the Mongolian and the cross between the Mongolian and the English pheasant in the counties of Louisa, Albermarle, Loudoun, Fauquier, Alleghany, Bath, Highland, Culpeper, Prince William, Bedford, Augusta and Montgomery, and the city of Charlottesville, No. 265; an act to amend section 3 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Farmers and Mechanics Benevolent Fire Insurance Association of the counties of Roanoke and Botetourt, approved April 2, 1873, No. 266; an act to authorize the school boards of Roanoke county to pay its trustees, No. 267; an act to compensate school trustees other than clerks in the counties of Clarke and Warren, No. 268; an act to protect the spawning beds of fish in the waters of Alexandria county, in the Potomac river and its tributaries, in tide-water and above tide-water, No. 269; an act to incorporate Monroe Encampment Number 27, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Phœbus, Elizabeth City county, Virginia, No. 270.

In which amendments and bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 138, Senate bill for the relief of C. B. Gibson, of Lee county, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE, the amendments proposed by the House of Delegates, agreed to.

No. 244, House bill to prevent hogs from running at large in the county of Grayson, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 211, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 7, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Ridgeway, in the county of Henry, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 233, House bill to provide for the apportionment of taxes, levies, or assessments, whether State, county, or municipal, and providing for the necessary proceedings therefor, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 248, House bill to provide that a convict in the penitentiary of Virginia whose term expires on Sunday shall be discharged by the superintendent on the preceding day, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 255, House bill providing for a special road law for Lee county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 256, House bill to amend and re-enact section 18 and subsections 6, 7, and 9, of section 19, and section 25 of the act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Rich-

mond, and the several acts of the General Assembly amendatory thereof, concerning the powers of the city council, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 257, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act approved February 24, 1888, entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Richmond, by adding additional sections to chapter IV, concerning city officers, so as to provide for the appointment of a board of public interests, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 258, House bill to amend and re-enact section 4 of an act entitled an act to extend the corporate limits of the city of Richmond, approved February 19, 1892, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 259, House bill to compensate the school trustees other than clerks of the boards, for services rendered in the county of Pittsylvania, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 260, House bill to authorize the common council of the city of Roanoke, in the State of Virginia, to levy and collect an annual rental for the use of sewers, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 261, House bill to allow M. L. Price to build a wharf in Machodoc creek, King George county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 265, House bill to protect the Mongolian and the cross between the Mongolian and the English pheasant in the counties of Louisa, Albemarle, Loudoun, Fauquier, Alleghany, Bath, Highland, Culpeper, Prince William, Bedford, Augusta and Montgomery, and the city of Charlottesville, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 266, House bill to amend section 3 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Farmers and Mechanics Benevolent Fire Insurance Association of the counties of Roanoke and Botetourt, approved April 2, 1873, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 267, House bill to authorize the school boards of Roanoke county to pay its trustees, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 268, House bill to compensate school trustees other than clerks in the counties of Clarke and Warren, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GOLD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 269, House bill to protect the spawning beds of fish in the waters of Alexandria county, in the Potomac river and its tribu-

taries, in tide-water and above tide-water, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 270, House bill to incorporate Monroe Encampment Number 27, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Phœbus, Elizabeth City county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported with amendments

No. 53, Senate bill concerning the introduction of evidence in actions of ejectment, and other suits relating to lands, and to provide upon whom the burden of proof shall rest concerning certain matters on the trial of such cases.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 194, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2494 of the Code of Virginia, 1887, as amended by an act approved February 29, 1892, in relation to lien on crops for advances to farmers; nature of agreement therefor; where and in what manner docketed, and the effect thereof; and the manner of enforcing such lien.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 192, Senate bill to amend section 2940 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to warrants for small claims.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 242, Senate bill to prohibit telegraph companies operating in the State of Virginia from contracting against their own negligence.

Mr. FLOOD, from the committee on privileges and elections, reported with recommendation that it do not pass

No. 163, Senate bill to prevent corrupt practices or bribery in elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and providing penalties and remedies for violations of this act, and declaring void under certain conditions elections in which the provisions or any of them of this act have been violated.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, from the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing, reported without amendment

No. 274, Senate bill to repeal sections 2194, 2195, 2196, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend section 2214 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend section 8 of an act approved February 18, 1896, to provide for the protection of domestic animals, and to authorize and empower the board of control of the experiment station of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg, to establish live stock quarantine lines, rules and regulations, and to prescribe penalties for violating the same.

Mr. LE CATO, from the committee on fish and game, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 317, Senate bill making it unlawful to fish within regularly hauled fishing landings on Chesapeake bay in Princess Anne county, Virginia.

And, he from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 183, House bill to amend and re-enact chapter 402 of the acts of 1897 and 1898, annulling and re-enacting section 2088 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 532 of the acts of Assembly of 1895-96, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2088 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to hauling seines or setting traps in the waters of Accomac and Northampton, approved March 3, 1892, approved February 28, 1896, approved February 18, 1898.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported with amendment

No. 199, House bill to authorize A. B. Dye, James H. Thompson, J. B. Ashbrook, Jonas Rasnake, H. J. Tate, and Thomas D. Fugate, deputies of V. B. Gilmer, late treasurer of Russell county, to distrain for uncollected taxes for the years 1896, 1897, 1898 and 1899.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 45, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to authorize the superintendent of the Virginia penitentiary to lease or purchase a farm, and to erect thereon suitable buildings for the care and employment of convicts, approved January 22, 1894.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 118, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 613 of the Code of Virginia in reference to compensation of treasurers for receiving and paying over revenue.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment.

No. 241, Senate bill to provide for a special appropriation to the Southwestern State Hospital.

He, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 248, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 4108 of the Code of Virginia in relation to compensation of guards at the penitentiary.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 253, Senate bill to amend and re-enact the 10th sub-division of section 183 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act, approved March 3, 1892, relating to the salaries of superintendent of the penitentiary, surgeon, assistant keepers and clerks.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 297, Senate bill for the relief of George B. Keezell, Pembroke Pettit, and John A. Curtis.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 312, Senate bill for the relief of C. L. Kennedy, ex-sheriff of Stafford county, Virginia.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 322, Senate bill for the relief of E. W. Maxwell, late treasurer of Wise county, and securities on his official bond from excess of interest over six per centum.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 334, A bill to amend and re-enact section 54 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 335, A bill to extend the time in which the securities of C. H. English, late treasurer of Henry county, may settle with the auditor of public accounts under provision of an act approved March 31, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. OPIE, by leave, presented

No. 336, A bill for the relief of R. R. Lynn, a Confederate soldier of Rockbridge; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. STEELE, by leave, presented

No. 337, A bill for the relief of Charles Richardson from the payment of certain fines; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. STEELE, by leave, presented

No. 338, A bill for the relief of Charles S. Snider, late deputy sheriff of Smyth county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WALKER, by leave, presented

No. 339, A bill to regulate the taking of oysters in the Potomac river above a line drawn from Mathias Point, in King George county, Virginia, to the mouth of Pope's creek, in Charles county, Maryland; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 340, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the trustees of the funds of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia, approved February 2, 1892; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 341, In relation to the government of the Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia, and to the commitment, govern-

ment, employment, and discharge of negro minors committed thereto, and providing compensation to be paid by the Commonwealth for caring for such minors; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 342, A bill to incorporate the Richmond and Washington Air Line Railway Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 343, A bill to provide for the examination of the books, accounts, &c., of certain public offices, and for their correction; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

A petition in the matter of the negro Reformatory Association of Virginia, which was referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave, presented

A petition of citizen of Charlottesville asking for the passage of the Epps bill or separate car bill, which was referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

A petition of citizens of Roanoke against the passage of separate car bill, which was referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. FOSTER, by leave, presented the following joint resolution.

Resolved by the Senate (the House concurring), that a committee of two on the part of the Senate, and three on the part of the House, be appointed by the PRESIDENT of the Senate and the SPEAKER of the House, whose duty it shall be to visit the United States Soldiers' Home at Hampton, Virginia, for the purpose of obtaining information as to the management, conduct and government of said home, including cost per capita, diet, clothing, quarters, &c. Said committee to report at as early day as practical to the General Assembly.

Which was read and laid on the table.

No. 232, House bill to allow the Michie Company to publish certain reports of the decisions of the Court of Appeals of Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS, recommitted to the committee for courts of justice.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles.

No. 237, To authorize the council of the town of Salem, of Roanoke county, Virginia, to issue new bonds of said town sufficient to retire the bonds issued under the power given it by its charter, known as improvement bonds of the town of Salem.

No. 238, To validate sewer assessments made by the council of the town of Salem, by virtue of the 24th section of an act approved February 12, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 21, 1836, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Salem, in the county of Botetourt, and all acts amendatory thereof.

No. 240, To amend and re-enact sections 14 and 19 of the charter of the town of Salem, in the county of Roanoke.

No. 246, To amend and re-enact sections 4, 8, 12 and 17 of an act entitled an act to create Northside district, in Brookland magisterial district, in the county of Henrico, and to provide for lighting and sewerage in said Northside district, and for making and maintaining other improvements of a public nature therein, approved February 10th, 1898.

No. 247, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to regulate the hunting or trapping of muskrats in the county of Accomac, approved December 20, 1897.

No. 194, To require railroad companies to provide separate cars for white and colored passengers.

No. 180, To incorporate the Children's Home Society of Virginia.

No. 179, To incorporate the Newport News and Richmond Telephone and Telegraph Company.

No. 154, Granting to Mary F. Armstrong the right to erect a break-water and wharves on her property on Hampton river.

No. 155, To amend and re-enact an act granting to M. C. Armstrong the right to establish a ferry from Blackbeard's Point, on Hampton creek, in the county of Elizabeth City, to the opposite side of Hampton creek, approved February 26, 1898, so as to provide for a ferry from the town of Hampton to Blackbeard's Point, and other points on Hampton creek and Herbert's creek.

No. 239, House bill to amend and re-enact an act to constitute the town of Salem and adjoining territory a separate school district, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. LYLE offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 40, House bill defining the duty and prescribing the liability of those operating railroads, as to overhead bridges and structures, was taken up, read the third time, the committee amendment agreed to, and passed with its title.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 65, To amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code, as amended by act approved February 17, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to who may practice law in this State.

No. 247, To amend and re-enact section 95 of the Code of Vir-

ginia, relating to the appointment of county surveyor and superintendent of the poor as to the county of Tazewell.

No. 279, To amend and re-enact section 1 of an act entitled an act to authorize the Governor to grant a conditional pardon to persons confined in the penitentiary upon recommendation of the board of directors of said institution, approved March 3, 1898.

No. 313, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 18, 1890, in relation to fishing in the waters of the commonwealth of Virginia, to provide for levying a tax on fishing devices and to provide for collecting the same, approved March 3, 1898, and to extend the provisions of said act to include all the waters within the jurisdiction of the commonwealth, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. WALKER moved to reconsider the vote, by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. WALKER offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 20, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3680 of Code in regard to rape, being the special order of the day, the hour of 1 o'clock having arrived, and after being freely discussed,

Mr. LE CATO offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

The committee substitute for the bill was then defeated by the following vote—ayes, 9; noes, 23.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Cogbill, Donohoe, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Keezell, McIlwaine, Morris and Watkins—9.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Gold, James, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, Maynard, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—23

Mr. HARVEY stated that he was paired with Mr. SHANDS, were he present, he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. LE CATO stated that he was paired with Mr. MUNFORD, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

No. 21, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3888 of the Code of Virginia, 1887, entitled "how attempts to commit offences punished," was taken up, being the special order of the day, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM, indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. SANDS, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 25, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 14, 17, 19, 21, of an act of the General Assembly, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act for working and keeping in repair the roads of the county of Tazewell, approved February 24, 1888, and further to provide for permanent improvement of the roads in said county, approved February 29, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 12, 1894, as amended by an act approved January 11, 1900, No. 302.

They have dismissed Senate bill entitled an act to prevent the pollution of the waters of Goose creek and tributaries, in the county of Bedford, by persons or corporations engaged in mining or digging out iron ore or other like minerals, and providing penalties for violation of same. No. 120.

They have passed House bills entitled an act in relation to the government of the Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia, and to the commitment, government, employment, and discharge of negro minors committed thereto, and providing compensation to be paid by the Commonwealth for caring for such minors, No. 251; an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act approved March 2, 1894, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 30, 1875, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Falls Church, in the county of Fairfax, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1879, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3, 4, 5, and 6 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Falls Church, in the county of Fairfax, approved March 30, 1875, and as further amended by an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to amend section 7 of chapter 316 of the Acts of Assembly, session 1874-'75, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Falls Church, in the county of Fairfax, No. 253; an act to amend and re-enact section 726 of the Code of Virginia, so as to authorize the county court to commit party when judgment of mayor affirmed, No. 273; an act for the relief of Abram P. Myers, a veterinarian of the county of Rockingham, No. 274; an act to incorporate the Citizens Relief Association of Richmond, Virginia, No. 275; an act to amend and re-enact section 3838 of the Code as amended by an act approved March 5, 1890, in relation to attorney's fee. No. 276; an act to prescribe the time for holding the circuit courts in the tenth judicial circuit, No. 280; an act prescribing recess for

the circuit court of the city of Fredericksburg during any term, No. 281; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Nansemond county to borrow ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), and to issue bonds therefor, No. 282; an act to authorize Thomas G. Wynne, treasurer of James City county and the city of Williamsburg, further time for the collection of taxes for the years 1895, 1896, and 1897, No. 285; an act to authorize the school trustees of Catalpa district, Culpeper county, to transfer any surplus school district funds, or portion thereof, to the county school fund of said district, No. 286; an act to incorporate the town of Virgilina, in the county of Halifax, No. 287; an act authorizing and empowering the board of supervisors of Prince Edward county to increase the salary of the judge of the county court of said county, No. 288; an act for the relief of the sureties of treasurers and deputy treasurers of Henry county, by extending the time of collection and levy and distress for taxes and levies which have been already accounted for to the commonwealth and said county, No. 289; an act to incorporate the town of Round Hill, in the county of Loudoun, No. 290; and an act for the protection of partridges or quails, pheasants or ruffed grouse, wild turkeys, woodcock, and hares in the counties of Caroline, Hanover, and Henrico, No. 292.

In which bills they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 251, House bill in relation to the government of the Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia, and to the commitment, government, employment, and discharge of negro minors committed thereto, and providing compensation to be paid by the commonwealth for caring for such minors, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committees on public institutions and education.

No. 253, House bill to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act approved March 2, 1894, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 30, 1875, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Falls Church, in the county of Fairfax, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1879, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3, 4, 5, and 6, of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Falls Church, in the county of Fairfax, approved March 30, 1875, and as further amended by an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to amend section 7 of chapter 316 of the Acts of Assembly, session of 1874-'75, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Falls Church, in the county of Fairfax, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 273, House bill to amend and re-enact section 726 of the Code of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 274, House bill for the relief of Abram P. Myers, a veterinarian of the county of Rockingham, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 275, House bill to incorporate the Citizen's Relief Association of Richmond, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 276, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3838 of the Code as amended by an act approved March 5, 1890, in relation to attorney's fees, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 280, House bill to prescribe the time for holding the Circuit Courts in the tenth Judicial Circuit, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALLACE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALLACE, moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, which was rejected.

No. 281, House bill prescribing recess for the circuit court of the city of Fredericksburg during any term, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALLACE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALLACE moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, which was rejected.

No. 282, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Nansemond county to borrow ten thousands dollars (\$10,000), and to issue bonds therefor, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SHANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 285, House bill to authorize Thomas G. Wynne, treasurer of James City county and the city of Williamsburg, further time for the collection of taxes for the years 1895, 1896, and 1897, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 286, House bill to authorize the school trustees of Catalpa district, Culpeper county, to transfer any surplus school district funds, or portion thereof, to the county school fund of said district, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 287, House bill to incorporate the town of Virgilina, in the county of Halifax, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BARKSDALE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 288, House bill authorizing and empowering the board of supervisors of Prince Edward county to increase the salary of the

judge of the county court of said county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WATKINS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 289, House bill for the relief of the sureties of treasurers and deputy treasurers of Henry county, by extending the time of collection and levy and distress for taxes and levies which have been already accounted for to the commonwealth and said county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 290, House bill to incorporate the town of Round Hill in the county of Loudoun, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FAIRFAX (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 292, House bill for the protection of partridges or quails, pheasants or ruffed grouse, wild turkeys, woodcock, and hares in the counties of Caroline and Hanover, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

Mr. FAIRFAX from the committee on finance and banks reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 205, Senate bill to exempt and except the city of Alexandria from the operation of section 1040 of the Code of Virginia, of 1887.

Mr. McILWAINE from the committee for courts of justice, reported with a substitute

No. 132, House bill to increase the jurisdiction of justices of the peace for the city of Richmond.

He from the same committee, reported without amendment.

No. 135, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2229 of the Code of Virginia, relating to certificates to be issued by the clerk with marriage license, the return to be made by persons celebrating the marriage.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 186, House bill making the contingent right of dower of a married woman in real estate in which her husband has no interest her separate estate, and authorizing her to dispose of the same by her sole act.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 5, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3166 of the Code in relation to trial by jury.

He, from the same committee, reported with a recommendation that it do not pass

No. 60, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 4017 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the presence of the accused on a trial for felony.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 1, Senate bill to provide for submitting to the qualified voters of the State the question of calling a constitutional conven-

tion, to be held for the purpose of revising and amending the present constitution.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 229, Senate bill to amend and re enact section 3089 of the Code of Virginia and section 3090 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved January 18, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 112, 633, 674, 2533, 3045, 3053, 3090, 3091, 3455, 3492, 4048, and 4049 of an act entitled an act to revise and arrange and consolidate into a code the general statutes of the Commonwealth, approved May 16, 1897.

Mr. MASSIE, by leave, presented

No. 344, A bill to bar the commonwealth from collecting taxes due and payable prior to January 1, 1885; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 345, A bill to authorize and empower the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad Company to consolidate and merge with any other railroad company or companies; and to lease or purchase and operate any railroad and also to purchase, own, sell and dispose of the stocks, bonds or other securities of railroad companies; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. WHITEHEAD, by leave, presented

No. 346, A bill to give county courts jurisdiction upon *scire facis* on motion to revive judgments of justices of the peace; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. WHITEHEAD, by leave (by request), presented

No. 347, A bill for the relief of E. F. Hodges and S. C. Williams from delinquent taxes for the years 1890 and 1891 on certain lands in Halifax county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 348, A bill to protect purchaser for valuable consideration, without notice against liens of the Mutual Assurance Society against fire on buildings in the State of Virginia until such liens are filed in the clerks' office; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 349, A bill to authorize the Southside Railway and Development Company to change its corporate name; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being sus-

pended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALKER, by leave (by request), presented

No. 350, A bill to amend sections 252 and 253 of the Code of 1887, which; on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 351, A bill to allow H. C. Whealty, deputy treasurer of Culpeper county, further time in which to collect certain tax bills; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 352, A bill for the relief of Jno. T. Tipton, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 353, A bill for the relief of estate of B. D. Long from certain delinquent taxes; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 354, A bill to amend and re-enact section 10 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Gladesville Railroad Company in Wise county, approved February 20, 1892; which, on his motion was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 355, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 1-13 and 21 of an act entitled an act to provide for a new charter for the town of Farmville, approved February 10, 1890; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read a second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring) was read a third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 356, A bill to repeal section 8 of an act approved February 11, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 598 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 3, 1894, entitled an act in relation to making and keeping in repair the roads and bridges of Alexandria county, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, and to prohibit the use of money derived

from the sale of bonds under an act approved December 19, 1899, from being used in the construction, making, or opening new roads, and providing that all work done and material required on the said roads shall be by contract after advertisement, and the same let to the lowest responsible bidder, and to authorize the board of supervisors to levy a tax upon the property, real and personal, for taxation, not exceeding fifty cents upon the \$100.00 assessed value of such property; and providing how the money derived from the sale of the said bonds under the act approved December 19, 1899, shall be expended and apportioned among the magisterial districts of the county, and to authorize the board of supervisors to employ a competent civil engineer, and to authorize the judge of the county court to appoint a board of audit and to prescribe their duties; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

No. 357, A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Rockingham county, in their discretion, to levy a tax not exceeding fifteen cents of the one hundred dollars of taxable values in any of the magisterial districts of said county for district school purposes; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. OPIE, by leave, presented

No. 358, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 3101-3102, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 423 of the Acts of Assembly, 1893-'94, and 3105 of the Code, relating to the reporter of the supreme court of appeals, his duties, and the duties of the clerks of said court, with relation to its opinions; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 359, A bill providing for holding terms of court in second judicial circuit; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 360, A bill to incorporate the Washington and Richmond Railway Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 361, A bill to incorporate the Piedmont Lumber and Warehouse Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. LUPTON presented the following resolution :

Resolved by the Senate, That the auditor of public accounts be and he is hereby requested to furnish the Senate with a statement showing the amounts lost to the State, and the several counties and cities therein from 1884 to and including 1899 by reason of the failure or default of officers having the collection, keeping or paying out of the revenues, not including the name or names of such officers.

If the auditor shall not have such information upon the records of his office, he is hereby requested to obtain the same as far as possible at his earliest convenience.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. BARKSDALE, presented the following resolution :

Whereas the people of the South African Republics are engaged in war for the preservation of Republican institutions, and are making a heroic struggle in defence of the integrity of a form of government similar to our own. Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate of Virginia, (the House of Delegates concurring), That we sympathize with the people of the Transvaal and the Orange Free State in their efforts to be and to remain free and independent.

Which on motion of Mr. FAIRFAX, was referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

Mr. GLASS presented the following telegram :

HARRISBURG, PA., *January 25, 1900.*

HON. CARTER GLASS, and others, members Legislature Richmond, Virginia.

I appreciate the honor of your invitation, and shall come between February eighth and fifteenth. Date not yet fixed.

W. J. BRYAN.

Senate joint resolution :

Providing for a joint committee to visit the United States Soldiers' Home, at Hampton, Va., was taken up, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER, indefinitely postponed.

No. 222, House bill to provide a new charter for the town of Clifton Forge, in the county of Alleghany, was taken up, Mr. FLOOD moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 256, House bill to amend and re-enact section 18 and subsections 6, 7, and 9 of section 19 and section 25 of an act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Richmond, and the several acts of the General Assembly amendatory thereof, concerning the powers of the city council.

Mr. SANDS moved that the committee on county, city and town

be discharged from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

No. 257, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act approved February 24, 1888, entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Richmond, by adding additional sections to chapter IV, concerning city officers, so as to provide for the appointment of a board of public interest.

Mr. SANDS moved that the committee on county, city and town be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

No. 258, House bill to amend and re-enact section 4 of an act entitled an act to extend the corporate limits of the city of Richmond, approved February 19, 1892.

Mr. SANDS, moved that the committee on county, city and town be discharged from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to

No. 34, House bill to incorporate the Portsmouth and Pinners Point Drawbridge Company, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. MANN, moved to agree to the committee amendment.

Which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles.

No. 261, To allow M. L. Price to build a wharf in Machodoc creek, King George county.

No. 268, To compensate school trustees other than clerks in the counties of Clarke and Warren.

No. 270, To incorporate Monroe Encampment, Number 27, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of Phœbus, Elizabeth City county, Virginia.

No. 267, To authorize the school boards of Roanoke county to pay its trustees.

No. 183, To amend and re-enact chapter 402 of the Acts of 1897 and 1898, annulling and re-enacting section 2088 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 532 of the Acts of Assembly of 1895-'96, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2088 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to hauling seines or setting traps in the waters of Accomac and Northampton, approved March 3, 1892, approved February 28, 1896, approved February 18, 1898.

No. 199, House bill to authorize A. B. Dye, James H. Thompson, J. B. Ashbrook, Jonas Rasnake, H. J. Tate, and Thomas D. Fugate, deputies of V. B. Gilmer, late treasurer of Russell county, to distrain for uncollected taxes for the years 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed.

The committee proposed the following amendment to the title:

"In line 3 after name H. J. Tate insert name J. N. Smith," which was agreed to.

No. 313, Senate bill, to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 18, 1890, in relation to fishing in the waters of the Commonwealth of Virginia, to provide for levying a tax on fishing devices and to provide for collecting the same, approved March 3, 1898, and to extend the provisions of said act to include all the waters within the jurisdiction of the commonwealth, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 157, Senate bill to prescribe the weight of a bushel of apples and the size of barrels used for packing and shipping the same, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 159, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 4106 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 23, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 9, 1898, in relation to the jurisdiction of police justices and justices of the peace as to the trial of offenders in certain cases, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 122, Senate joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1 of Article III of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for publishing said amendment and certifying the same to the next General Assembly.

Being the special order of the day, the hour (1 P. M.) having arrived, was taken up.

Mr. HARVEY moved to postpone the special order, which was rejected. The question was then upon reconsidering the vote by which the Senate refused to engross the joint resolution, which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 20; noes, 17.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Shands, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—20.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Gold, James, Lupton, Munford, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Wallace and Whitehead—17.

Mr. FLOOD offered the following amendment, which was agreed to :

After line 25, at the end of section 1, add the following :

But it shall be permitted to any person, otherwise entitled to vote, to apply to the county or corporation court of the county or corporation in which he may reside for a certificate of the fact that he is not able by reason of age or physical infirmity to pay

the capitation tax. In such case it shall be the duty of the court, by the examination of witnesses, to ascertain the ability or inability of the applicant to pay the said tax by reason of age or physical infirmity; and if it shall appear that said applicant is not able by reason thereof to pay the said tax, this fact shall be entered upon the order book of said court, and the clerk thereof shall furnish said applicant with a certificate of this fact; and upon a presentation of such certificate to the judge of election, they shall permit the person presenting such certificate to exercise the right of suffrage.

Mr. LUPTON offered the following amendment:

"In line 6, after the word the, strike out word 'Capitation tax' and insert 'all taxes.'"

Which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 2; noes, 32.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Dinwiddie and Lupton—2.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—32

The bill was then read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time by the following vote—ayes, 19; noes, 17.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Mann, McIlwaine, Morris, Shands, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—19.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, James, Lupton, Massie, Munford, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Wallace and Whitehead—17.

Mr. MORRIS moved to make the bill the special and continuing order for Friday, February 2d, at one o'clock P. M., which was agreed to.

Mr. MORRIS, from the committee on public institutions and education, asked leave of absence for Messrs. KEEZELL, LE CATO, BLAKEY, TATE, TYLER and WATKINS to visit various institutions of the State; which was agreed to.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved that the Senate adjourn until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 1900.

President *pro tem.* H. T. WICKHAM, in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. H. M. Hope.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, January 26, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 95 of the Code of Virginia relating to the appointment of county surveyor and superintendents of the poor as to the county of Tazewell, No. 247; an act to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Brunswick county to issue the bonds of the county to be exchanged for or used in paying off the bonds of said county issued in payment for the stock of the Atlantic and Danville Railway Company, payable in 1915, and relieving the said board from the duty of providing a sinking fund for the payment of said outstanding bonds, No. 146; an act for the protection of game in Bedford county, No. 314; and an act to incorporate the consolidated Turnpike Company of Norfolk, Virginia, No. 135.

They have rejected Senate bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3057 of the Code, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 25, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 29, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 24, 1896, in relation to judicial circuits, and to abolish the Eighteenth judicial circuit, No. 4.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 8, of an act approved March 6, 1890, as amended by an act approved February 14, 1898, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, No. 141.

In which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 141, House bill to amend and re-enact section 8, as amended by an act approved February 14, 1898, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liq-

uors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported with amendments

No. 10, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1258 of Code of Virginia of 1887, in relation to railroad companies enclosing their railroads with fences and erecting cattle-guards, approved February 9, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 318, Senate bill to incorporate the Fallsburg Power and Manufacturing Company.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 327, Senate bill to incorporate the Petersburg and Claremont Terminal Railroad and Improvement Company and to define its powers.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 345, Senate bill to authorize and empower the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad Company to consolidate and merge with any other railroad company or companies, and to lease or purchase and operate any railroad, and also to purchase, own, sell and dispose of the stocks, bonds or other securities of railroad companies.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 226, House bill to amend and re-enact chapter 216, Acts of 1881-1882, of an act entitled an act to incorporate the James River and Blackwater Railroad and Lumber Company, approved March 6, 1882, authorizing it to construct branch lines not exceeding twenty miles in length, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. SHANDS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 123, Senate bill for the relief of George A. Hutcheson, of the city of Staunton.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 22, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 637 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved February 23, 1896, in relation to advertisement and sale of delinquent lands by treasurers.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 337, Senate bill for the relief of Charles Richardson from the payment of certain fines.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 353, Senate bill for the relief of B. D. Long from certain delinquent taxes.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 82, House bill to amend and re-enact section seven hundred and fifty-three of the Code of Virginia relating to State depositories.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 214, House bill authorizing J. T. Hauchins, surety for J. A. Adams, ex-deputy treasurer of Patrick county, to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected taxes and levies, assessed in Smiths river district of said county, for the years of 1895, 1896 and 1897.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 285, House bill to authorize Thomas G. Wynne, treasurer of James City county and the city of Williamsburg, further time for the collection of taxes for the years 1895, 1896 and 1897.

Mr. MORRIS, from the committee on public institutions and education, reported with amendment

No. 333, Senate bill to incorporate the Southern Seminary at Bowling Green, Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 217, House bill to ratify and confirm an agreement entered into between the Young Men's Christian Association of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the board of visitors of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute, as to the use of a building being erected on the grounds of the said institute.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 228, House bill to authorize the several district school boards of the counties of Prince George and Surry to expend any part of the surplus district school fund for pay of teachers.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 245, House bill to compensate school trustees other than clerks, in the county of Carroll.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 248, House bill to provide that a convict in the penitentiary of Virginia whose term expires on Sunday shall be discharged by the superintendent on the preceding day.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 251, House bill in relation to the Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia and to the commitment, government, employment and discharge of negro minors committed thereto, and providing compensation to be paid by the commonwealth for caring for such minors.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 259, House bill to compensate the school trustees other than clerks of the boards for services rendered in the county of Pittsylvania.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment

No. 116, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 15, 1894, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as notaries, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 13, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as notaries, approved February 15, 1894, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as school trustees, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, approved February 23, 1898, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as justices.

He, from the same committee, reported with request that the committee be relieved from further consideration of the bill

No. 224, Senate bill in relation to the power, duties and compensation of the State board of health, and be referred to the committee on finance and banks, which was agreed to.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 264, Senate bill for the relief of L. D. Jones.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 265, Senate bill to prohibit any person or corporation from enticing, persuading, or procuring a servant to leave his master, or from harboring any servant who has unlawfully left his service, and to provide punishment for same.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 361, Senate bill to incorporate the Piedmont Lumber and Warehouse Company.

Mr. WALKER, by leave, presented the following joint resolution in regard to Maryland and Virginia boundary along the Potomac river :

Whereas under the award made by J. S. Black, of Pennsylvania, and Charles J. Jenkins, of Georgia, in the arbitration between the State of Maryland and the State of Virginia to settle and determine the true line of boundary between the said States, a doubt exists as to the true line along the Potomac river from the great falls above Washington, D. C., to the mouth of said river, and because of this uncertainty and doubt of the question of territorial jurisdiction remains unsettled, much to the inconvenience of the citizens of each State; and,

Whereas it is important that doubt in the said award should be removed and the true line of boundary should be established and definitely settled; therefore, be it

Resolved, That two members of the Senate shall be appointed by the PRESIDENT of that body, and that the SPEAKER of the House

of Delegates shall appoint three members of that body, who, together, shall constitute a joint committee, whose duty it shall be to invite the legislature of Maryland to appoint a similar committee on its part to meet and confer with the Virginia committee for the purpose of establishing and definitely settling the true boundary line between the said States by naming the head lands on the Virginia shore, which shall be points from which the true line of boundary shall be drawn.

The said Virginia committee is hereby fully empowered to confer and treat with the Maryland committee on the subject of the boundary line aforesaid, and to report the result of such conference to the General Assembly of Virginia for approval and ratification.

The said committee is also authorized to sit during the recess of the General Assembly, if they shall deem it necessary or expedient to do so.

No. 258, House bill to amend and re-enact section 4 of an act entitled an act to extend the corporate limits of the city of Richmond, approved February 19, 1892, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. MUNFORD offered an amendment, which was agreed to and passed. And on his further motion the title was amended, and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 257, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act approved February 24, 1888, entitled an act to amend the charter of the city of Richmond, by adding additional sections to chapter 4, concerning city officers, so as to provide for the appointment of a board of public interests, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 256, House bill to amend and re-enact section 18 and subsections 6, 7, and 9 of section 19, and section 25 of the act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Richmond, and the several acts of the General Assembly amendatory thereof, concerning the powers of the city council, was taken up, read the third time and passed.

And on motion of Mr. MUNFORD, the title was amended, and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 290, To incorporate the town of Round Hill, in the county of Loudoun.

No. 275, To incorporate the Citizens' Relief Association of Richmond, Va.

No. 288, Authorizing and empowering the board of supervisors of Prince Edward county to increase the salary of the judge of the county court of said county.

No. 287, To incorporate the town of Virgilina, in the county of Halifax.

No. 286, To authorize the school trustees of Catalpa district, Culpeper county, to transfer any surplus school district funds, or portion thereof, to the county school fund of said district.

No. 186, Making the contingent right of dower of a married woman in real estate, in which her husband has no interest, her separate estate, and authorizing her to dispose of the same by her sole act.

No. 135, To amend and re-enact section 2229 of the Code of Virginia, relating to certificates to be issued by the clerk with marriage license, the return to be made by person celebrating the marriage.

No. 132, House bill to increase the jurisdiction of justices of the peace for the city of Richmond, was taken up, read the third time, committee substitute agreed to, and passed.

Committee amendment to title was agreed to.

No. 157, Senate bill to prescribe the weight of a bushel of apples and the size of barrels used for packing and shipping the same, was taken up, read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 128, Senate bill to prevent the sale of adulterated and unbranded food in the State of Virginia, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. GLASS moved to strike out the words "other" in committee amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The committee amendment as amended was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 297, For the relief of George B. Keezell, Pembroke Pettit, and John A. Curtis.

No. 242, To prohibit telegraph companies operating in the State of Virginia from contracting against their own negligence.

No. 312, For the relief of C. L. Kennedy, ex-sheriff of Stafford county, Va.

No. 322, For the relief of E. W. Maxwell, late treasurer of Wise county, and securities on his official bond, from excess of interest over six per centum.

No. 354, To amend and re-enact section 10 of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Gladeville Railroad Company, in Wise county," approved February 20, 1892.

No. 351, To allow H. C. Wheatley, deputy treasurer of Culpeper county, further time in which to collect certain tax bills.

No. 357, To authorize the board of supervisors of Rockingham county, in their discretion, to levy a tax, not exceeding fifteen cents on the one hundred dollars of taxable values in any of the magisterial districts of said county, for district school purposes.

No. 192, Senate bill to amend section 2940 of the Code of Virginia, was taken up, read a second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 194, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2494 of the Code of Virginia, 1887, as amended by an act approved February 29, 1892, in relation to lien on crops for advances to farmers; nature of agreement therefor; where and in what manner docketed, and the effect thereof; and the manner of enforcing such lien, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 163, Senate bill to prevent corrupt practices or bribery in elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and providing penalties and remedies for violations of this act, and declaring void under certain conditions elections in which the provisions of this act or any of them have been violated, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. BARKSDALE, was made the special and continuing order for Tuesday, February 6th, at 1 o'clock P. M.

No. 241, Senate bill to provide for a special appropriation to the Southwestern State Hospital, was taken up, read a second time, committee amendment rejected, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 118, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 613 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to compensation of treasurers for receiving and paying over revenue, was taken up, read a second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 45. Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to authorize the superintendent of the Virginia penitentiary to lease or purchase a farm, and to erect thereon suitable buildings for the care and employment of convicts, approved January 22, 1894, was taken up, read a second time, Mr. COGBILL, offered an amendment, and on his motion the bill and amendment were both passed by.

No. 248, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 4168 of the Code of Virginia in relation to compensation of guards at the penitentiary, was taken up, read the second time, and rejected.

No. 274, Senate bill to repeal sections 2194, 2195, 2196, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend section 2214 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend section 8 of an act approved February 18, 1896, to provide for the protection of domestic animals, and to authorize and empower the board of control of the experiment station of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg, to establish live stock quarantine lines, rules and regulations, and to prescribe penalties for

violating the same, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Mr. WALKER moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to pass the motion by.

No. 53, Senate bill concerning the introduction of evidence in actions of ejectment, and other suits relating to lands, and to provide upon whom the burden of proof shall rest; concerning certain matters on the trial of said cases, was taken up, read a second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Mr. BRUCE moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

No. 1, Senate bill to provide for submitting to the qualified voters of the State the question of calling a Constitutional Convention, to be held for the purpose of revising and amending the present Constitution, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD passed by, and made the special and continuing order for Friday, February 2d, at 12:45 o'clock P. M.

No. 205, Senate bill to exempt and except the city of Alexandria from the operation of section 1040 of the Code of Virginia of 1887, was taken up, read the second time and rejected.

No. 229, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3089 of the Code of Virginia, and section 3090 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 18, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 112, 633, 674, 2533, 3045, 3053, 3090, 3091, 3455, 3492, 4048, and 4049 of an act entitled an act to revise and arrange and consolidate into a code the general statutes of the commonwealth, approved May 16, 1897, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE, passed by.

No. 330, House bill to repeal section 8 of an act approved February 11, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 598 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 3, 1894, entitled an act in relation to making and keeping in repair the roads and bridges of Alexandria county, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, and to prohibit the use of money derived from the sale of bonds under an act approved December 19, 1899, from being used in the construction, making or opening new roads, and providing that all work done and materials required upon the said roads shall be by contract after advertisement, and the same let to the lowest responsible bidder; and to authorize the board of supervisors to levy a tax not exceeding fifty cents upon the \$100.00 value of such property; and providing how the money derived from the sale of the said bonds, under the act approved December 19, 1899, shall be expended and apportioned among the magiste-

rial districts of the county, and to authorize the board of supervisors to employ a competent civil engineer, and to authorize the judge of the county court to appoint a board of audit, and to prescribe their duties, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FAIRFAX (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. EGGLESTON moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. OPIE, by leave, presented

No. 362, A bill to authorize the enlargement of the corporate limits of the city of Staunton, when approved by vote of the people affected, and providing for the taking of such vote; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. STEELE, by leave, presented

No. 363, A bill for the relief of James A. Mock, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 364, A bill to incorporate the Tidewater Transportation Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

On motion of Mr. COGBILL, leave of absence was granted Mr. STEELE for four days.

On motion of Mr. CLAYTOR, leave of absence was granted Mr. LUPTON for four days from Monday.

On motion of Mr. FAIRFAX, the Senate adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, JANUARY 29, 1900.

President *pro tem.* H. T. WICKHAM in the chair.

Journal of Saturday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 27, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to authorize the Southside Railway and Development Company to change its corporate name, No. 349; an act to amend and re-enact

sections 1-13 and 21 of an act entitled an act to provide for a new charter for the town of Farmville, approved February 10, 1890, No. 355.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 4 of an act entitled an act to extend the corporate limits of the city of Richmond, approved February 19th, 1892, No. 258; and an act to amend and re-enact section 18 and sub-sections 6, 7, and 9 of section 19, and section 25 of the act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Richmond, and the several acts of the General Assembly amendatory thereof, concerning the powers of the city council, No. 256.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to provide for working the roads, repairing bridges, and opening new roads in the county of Augusta, and repealing so much of the acts as affects the county of Augusta, approved February 26, 1883, February 19, 1886, February 28, 1890, March 3, 1894, and March 2, 1898, No. 283; an act to exempt the Home for Friendless Children situated in Chesterfield county from taxation, No. 294; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 4, 1894, entitled an act to provide for State banks of circulation, No. 295; an act to incorporate the Radford Colored Orphanage and Educational Reformatory School, No. 297; an act to confer upon the Atlantic and Danville Railway Company additional powers and privileges, No. 298; an act to incorporate Citizens Railway, Light and Power Company, No. 300; an act to incorporate the Union Brothers, a colored organization, with powers to care for its sick and to bury its dead, No. 301; an act to amend and re-enact section 54 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News in the county of Warwick and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896, No. 303; an act allowing the treasurer of Amherst county further time to collect taxes for the years 1895, 1896, and 1897, No. 304; an act to allow W. S. Summers further time within which to dis-train, levy, and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State, No. 305; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act regulating the transportation of bodies dead of contagious or infectious diseases, approved March 2, 1892, No. 307; an act to authorize the council of the city of Buena Vista, to issue bonds, and to provide for the payment of same, No. 308; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act for working, keeping in repair, and building the roads and bridges in Buckingham county, approved March 4, 1896, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend the road law of Buckingham county, approved December 22, 1897, No. 309; an act to prohibit the sale of wine or cider, in the town of Maysville, Buckingham county, except by licensed liquor dealers, No. 310; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Elizabeth City county to let the repairs and improvements to the county roads of the said county by con-

tract, No. 311; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Elizabeth City county to borrow money by the issue of bonds to pay off indebtedness incurred on account of expenditures for small pox, and improvements to public roads of said county, No. 312; and an act authorizing the sureties of Joshua G. Bray, ex-deputy treasurer of Gloucester county, to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected tax tickets in Abingdon district, No. 313.

In which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 283, House bill to provide for working the roads, repairing bridges, and opening new roads in the county of Augusta, and repealing so much of the acts as affects the county of Augusta, approved February 26, 1884, February 19, 1886, February 28, 1890, March 3, 1894, and March 2, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 294, House bill to exempt the Home for Friendless Children, situated in Chesterfield county, from taxation, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 295, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 4, 1894, entitled an act to provide for State banks of circulation, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 297, House bill to incorporate the Radford Colored Orphanage and Educational Reformatory School, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 298, House bill to confer upon the Atlantic and Danville Railway Company additional powers and privileges, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 300, House bill to incorporate Citizens Railway, Light, and Power Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 301, House bill to incorporate the Union Brothers, a colored organization, with powers to care for its sick and to bury its dead, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 303, House bill to amend and re-enact section 54 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 304, House bill allowing the treasurer of Amherst county further time to collect taxes for the years 1895, 1896, and 1897, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 305, House bill to allow W. S. Summers further time within which to distrain, levy and collect certain tax tickets for which he

has accounted to the State, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 307, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act regulating the transportation of bodies dead of contagious or infectious diseases, approved March 2, 1892, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 308, House bill to authorize the council of the city of Buena Vista to issue bonds, and to provide for the payment of the same, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 309, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act for working, keeping in repair, and building the roads and bridges in Buckingham county, approved March 4, 1896, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend the road law of Buckingham county, approved December 22, 1897, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 310, House bill to prohibit the sale of cider or wine in the town of Maysville, Buckingham county, Virginia, except by licensed liquor dealers, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 311, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Elizabeth City county to let the repairs and improvements to the county roads of the said county by contract, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 312, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Elizabeth City county to borrow money by the issue of bonds, to pay off indebtedness incurred on account of expenditures for small pox, and improvements to public roads of said county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 313, House bill authorizing the sureties of Joshua G. Bray, ex-deputy treasurer of Gloucester county, to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected tax tickets in Abingdon district, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee on courts of justice, reported with amendments

No. 90, Senate bill in relation to judgment &c., in Appomattox county.

He, from the same committee, reported with recommendation that it do not pass

No. 178, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 4077 of the Code of Virginia, in regard to the safe keeping of prisoners under sentence for crime.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 204, Senate bill to validate certain contracts made and entered into by and between the Nottoway Building and Loan Association and its members.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 301, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3319 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 12, 1898, in relation to the appointment of commissioners in chancery.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 346, Senate bill to give county courts jurisdiction upon *scire facias* or motions to revive judgments of justices of the peace.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 348, Senate bill to protect purchaser for valuable consideration without notice against liens of the Mutual Assurance Society against fire on buildings in the State of Virginia until such liens are filed in the clerk's office.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 358, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 3101 and 3102, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 423 of the Acts of Assembly 1893-'94, and 3105 of the Code, relating to the reporter of the supreme courts of appeals, his duties, and the duties of the clerk of said court with relation to its opinions.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 359, Senate bill providing for holding terms of court in second judicial circuit.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 41, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3214, Code of Virginia, in relation to the county or corporation in which actions at law or suits in equity may be brought.

He, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 205, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 17, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to who may practice law in this State.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 273, House bill to amend and re-enact section 726 of the Code of Virginia, so as to authorize the county court to commit party when judgment of mayor affirmed.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 365, A bill for the relief of Robert H. Gaines, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 366, A bill for the relief of Samuel M. Hawkins, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 367, A bill to authorize the county court and board of

supervisors of Tazewell county to allow a monument to the Confederate dead to be erected, maintained, and cared for on the public square in the town of Tazewell, in said county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 368, A bill to authorize School District No. 1, in county of Tazewell, a corporation, to allow a monument to the Confederate dead to be erected, maintained, and cared for on the grounds connected with and part of the Tazewell high school property; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 369, A bill authorizing the Dan River Power and Manufacturing Company to sell, transfer, and dispose of its property, assets and rights, and thereupon surrender its charter; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 370, A bill to prevent carrying pistols; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 371, A bill to prohibit the sale of pistols; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 372, A bill to prevent the sale of pistol cartridges; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. FAIRFAX, by leave, presented

No. 373, A bill for the relief of George T. Campbell, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. GOLD, by leave, presented

No. 374, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the town of Berryville, Virginia, to borrow \$25,000 to construct water works, approved December 18th, 1899; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed,

on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And on his further motion he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 375, A bill to amend and re-enact section 457 of the Code of Virginia as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 457 of the Code, relative to what real estate exempt from taxation, approved January 28, 1896, in relation to what real estate may be exempt from taxation; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave, presented

No. 376, A bill in relation to unlawful hunting; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 377, A bill for the relief of W. R. Colbourne, of the city of Roanoke; which, on his motion, was read the first ordered to be read a second time and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 378, A bill for the relief of James T. Noell, of the city of Radford; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. MASSIE, by leave, presented

No. 379, A bill to amend and re-enact section three of an act entitled "an act to authorize the construction by the Piedmont Soapstone Company of tramways or railroads, not exceeding twenty-five miles in lengths, and the encumbering and disposal of the same," approved February 6, 1896, and to confirm the charter of the said company, and to authorize a change of its name; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 132, House bill to increase the jurisdiction of justice of the peace for the city of Richmond.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, which was agreed to.

He then proposed an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed as amended.

On his further motion the title was amended to read as follows:

"An act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3955 and 3956 of the Code of Virginia, in re-

lation to process for the arrest of persons charged with crime, approved February 17, 1898."

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles.

No. 285, To authorize Thomas G. Wynne, treasurer of James City county and the city of Williamsburg, further time for the collection of taxes for the years 1895, 1896, and 1897.

No. 214, Authorizing J. T. Houchins, surety for J. A. Adams, ex-deputy treasurer of Partrick county, to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected taxes and levies assessed in Smiths river district of said county, for the years of 1895, 1896, and 1897.

No. 82, To amend and re-enact section seven hundred and fifty-three of the Code of Virginia relating to State depositaries.

No. 259, To compensate the school trustees other than clerks of the boards, for services rendered in the county of Pittsylvania.

No. 248, To provide that a convict in the penitentiary of Virginia whose term expires on Sunday shall be discharged by the superintendent on the preceding day.

No. 245, To compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in the county of Carroll.

No. 228, To authorize the several district school boards of the counties of Prince George and Surry to expend any part of the surplus district school fund for pay of teachers.

No. 217, To ratify and confirm an agreement entered into on June 20, 1899, between the Young Men's Christian Association of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the board of visitors of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute, as to the use of a building being erected on the grounds of the said institute.

No. 251, House bill in relation to the government of the Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia, and to the commitment, government, employment, and discharge of negro minors committed thereto, and providing compensation to be paid by the commonwealth for caring for such minors, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 29; noes, 0.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

Mr. LYLE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Committee substitute for Senate bill, No. 23, to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, as heretofore amended,

in relation to sale of delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor, being the special order of the day, was taken up.

Mr. MANN offered a substitute for the bill.

Mr. JEFFRIES moved to print substitute, and pass by and make the special and continuing order for Saturday, February 3rd, at 1 o'clock, P. M., which was agreed to.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles.

No. 192, To amend section 2940 of the Code of Virginia.

No. 242, To prohibit telegraph companies operating in the State of Virginia from contracting against their own negligence.

No. 194, To amend and re-enact section 2494 of the Code of Virginia, 1887, as amended by an act approved February 29, 1892, in relation to lien on crops for advances to farmers; nature of agreement therefor; where and in what manner docketed, and the effect thereof; and the manner of enforcing such lien.

No. 118, To amend and re-enact section 613 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to compensation of treasurers for receiving and paying over revenue.

No. 254, To repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Mount Crawford, in the county of Rockingham, approved December 14, 1895.

No. 351, To allow H. C. Wheatley, deputy treasurer of Culpeper county, further time in which to collect certain tax bills.

No. 357, To authorize the board of supervisors of Rockingham county, in their discretion, to levy a tax, not exceeding fifteen cents on the one hundred dollars of taxable values in any of the magisterial districts of said county, for district school purposes.

No. 128, Senate bill to prevent the sale of adulterated and unbranded food in the State of Virginia, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. LYLE moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment, which was agreed to.

And on his further motion the bill was recommitted to the committee on general laws.

The following joint resolution was then taken up, amended by Mr. WALKER, and agreed to:

Joint resolution in regard to Maryland and Virginia boundary along the Potomac river.

Whereas, under the award made by J. S. Black, of Pennsylvania and Charles J. Jenkins, of Georgia, in arbitration between the State of Maryland and the State of Virginia to settle and determine the true line of boundary between the said States, a doubt exists as to the true line along the Potomac river from the great falls above Washington, D. C., to the mouth of said river, and because of this uncertainty and doubt the question of territorial jurisdiction remains unsettled much to the inconvenience of the citizens of each State; and whereas it is important that doubt in the said award be

removed and the true line of boundary should be established and definitely settled, therefore be it

Resolved, The House of Delegates concurring that the PRESIDENT of the Senate shall appoint two members of the Senate who together with himself shall constitute the committee on the part of the Senate, and that the SPEAKER of the House of Delegates shall appoint three members of that body who together with himself shall constitute the committee on the part of the House of Delegates (provided that if either the PRESIDENT of the Senate or the SPEAKER of the House of Delegates prefer not to act, he shall substitute for himself some member of the body over which he presides) and the said committee so appointed shall constitute a joint committee whose duty it shall be to invite the Legislature of Maryland to appoint similar committee on its part to meet and confer with the Virginia committee for the purpose of establishing and definitely settling the true boundary line between the said States by naming the head lands on the Virginia shore which shall be points from which the true line of boundary shall be drawn.

The said Virginia committee is hereby fully empowered to confer and treat with the Maryland committee on the subject of the boundary line aforesaid, and to report the result of such conference to the General Assembly of Virginia for approval and ratification.

The said committee is also authorized to sit during the recess of the General Assembly if they shall deem it necessary or expedient to do so.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 1, Senate bill to provide for submitting to the qualified voters of the State the question of calling a constitutional convention, to be held for the purpose of revising and amending the present constitution, being the special order for February 2d.

Mr. LUPRON filed an amendment to the bill, to be considered at that time.

A message was received from the governor, by his private secretary, announcing that he had vetoed Senate bill No. 108.

No. 375, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 457 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 457 of the Code, relative to what real estate exempt from taxation, approved January 28, 1896, in relation to what real estate may be exempt from taxation, was taken up.

Mr. JEFFRIES moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 297, Senate bill for the relief of George B. Keezell, Pembroke Pettit, and John A. Curtis, was taken up, read the third

time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

Mr. MUNFORD moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, which was rejected.

No. 312, Senate bill for the relief of C. L. Kennedy, ex-sheriff of Stafford county, Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 26; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Sands, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—26.

No. 322, Senate bill for the relief of E. W. Maxwell, late treasurer of Wise county, and securities on his official bond, from excess of interest over six per centum, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 24; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, James, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—24.

NOES—None.

Mr. BRUCE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 241, Senate bill to provide for a special appropriation to the Southwestern State Hospital, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 27; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Sands, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—27.

NOES—None.

No. 274, Senate bill to repeal sections 2194, 2195, 2196, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209,

2210, 2211, 2212, 2213 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend section 2214 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend section 8 of an act approved February 18, 1896, to provide for the protection of domestic animals, and to authorize and empower the board of control of the experiment station of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg to establish live stock quarantine lines, rules and regulations, and to prescribe penalties for violating the same.

Mr. WALKER moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment, which was agreed to.

Mr. LYLE moved to pass the bill by, which was agreed to.

No. 233, House bill to provide for the apportionment of taxes, levies, or assessments, whether State, county, or municipal, and providing for the necessary proceedings therefor.

Mr. McILWAINE, moved to discharge the committee on finance and banks from further consideration of the bill, and that it be referred to the committee for courts of justice, which was agreed to.

No. 53, Senate bill concerning the introduction of evidence in actions of ejectment, and other suits relating to lands, and to provide upon whom the burden of proof shall rest; concerning certain matters on the trial of said cases.

Mr. BRUCE moved to pass the bill by, and make it the special and continuing order for February 7th, at 1 P. M., which was agreed to.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time:

No. 264, For the relief of L. D. Jones.

No. 353, For the relief of estate of D. B. Long from certain delinquent taxes.

No. 123, For the relief of George A. Hutcheson, of the city of Staunton.

No. 337, For the relief of Charles Richardson from the payment of certain fines.

No. 345, To authorize and empower the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad Company to consolidate and merge with any other railroad company or companies; and to lease or purchase and operate any railroad and also to purchase, own, sell and dispose of the stocks, bonds or other securities of railroad companies.

No. 361, To incorporate the Piedmont Lumber and Warehouse Company.

No. 318, To incorporate the Fallsburg Power and Manufacturing Company.

No. 116, To amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 15, 1894, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as

notaries, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 13, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as notaries, approved February 15, 1894, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as school trustees, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, approved February 23, 1898, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as justices.

No. 317, Senate bill making it unlawful to fish within regularly hauled fishing landings on Chesapeake bay, in Princess Anne county, Virginia, was taken up, read the second time, and Mr. WALKER moved to indefinitely postpone the bill, which was agreed to.

No. 60, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 4017 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the presence of the accused on a trial for felony, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. CLAYTOR offered an amendment, and on his further motion passed by.

No. 229, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3089 of the Code of Virginia, and section 3090 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 18, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 112, 633, 674, 2533, 3045, 3053, 3090, 3091, 3455, 3492, 4048, and 4049 of an act entitled an act to revise and arrange and consolidate into a code the general statutes of the commonwealth, approved May 16, 1897, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 333, Senate bill to incorporate the Southern Seminary, at Bowling Green, Virginia, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 10, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1258, Code of Virginia of 1887, in relation to railroad companies enclosing their road-beds with fences and erecting cattle-guards, approved February 9, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 327, Senate bill to incorporate the Petersburg and Claremont Terminal Railroad Improvement Company and to define its powers, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. OPIE, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 29, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to validate sales of certain infants' lands, No. 96; an act to incorporate the Golden Chain Society of Westmoreland county, Virginia, No. 246; an act to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act entitled an act to authorize the governor to grant a conditional pardon to persons confined in the penitentiary upon recommendation of the board of directors of said institution, approved March 3, 1898, No. 279; an act to amend and re-enact sections 7 and 17 of an act approved February 20, 1892, in relation to the settlement of the public debt of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 25, 1898, extending the time for the funding of the outstanding evidences of debt due by the commonwealth not heretofore funded under the acts approved February 14, 1882, and February 20, 1892, as amended, No. 250; and an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the town of Berryville, Virginia, to borrow \$25,000 to construct water works, approved December 18, 1899, No. 374.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bill, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act to constitute the town of Salem, and adjoining territory a separate school district, No. 239.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 7 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Potomac River Power Company, approved January 21, 1896, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 7 of an act entitled and act to incorporate the Potomac River Power Company, approved January 21, 1896, approved January 27, 1898, No. 235; an act to incorporate the State Council of Virginia Junior Order United American Mechanics of the State of Virginia, No. 264; an act to amend and re-enact section 149 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act, approved February 8, 1898, in reference to pay of judges and clerks of elections, so far as relates to the counties of Prince William, Rappahannock, Rockingham, Warwick, Prince George, Surry, Amherst, Greene, Madison, Campbell, Tazewell, Scott, Mecklenburg, Amelia, Buckingham, Cumberland, Prince Edward, Russell, Culpeper, Pittsylvania, and Frederick, No. 284; an act to amend and re-enact section 962,

of chapter 43 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to who shall pay the expense of repairs and keeping in order public roads, where the said roads cross mill dams, No. 296; an act to provide for the payment of \$20.00 to H. H. Dickinson, assignee of J. F. Smith, out of State school fund of Ervinton school district, in the county of Dickenson, No. 317; an act to provide for the separate accommodation of white and colored passengers in the sitting, sleeping, and eating apartments of steamboats plying in the waters within the jurisdiction of the commonwealth, and to provide certain police powers for captains, pursers, and other officers in command to enforce such regulations and to prevent and suppress disorderly conduct on said boats, No. 320; an act to incorporate the Hairston Mining Company, No. 321; an act to incorporate the Virginia Northern Development and Railway Company, No. 323; an act to incorporate the Mutual Homestead Fire Insurance Association, No. 326; an act to incorporate the Christ Church Loan Association, No. 327; an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in Nelson county, and to provide for the costs thereof, and the opening and altering of roads and building bridges in said county and to repeal the road law for said county, approved March 7, 1894, No. 329; and an act to amend and re-enact section 848 of the Code of Virginia relating to the compensation of supervisors, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 2, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 26, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 13, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 14, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved December 13, 1897, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 1, 1898, fixing the per diem and mileage of supervisors in certain counties of the State, No. 331.

In which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 235, House bill to amend and re-enact section 7 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Potomac River Power Company, approved January 21, 1896, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 7 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Potomac River Power Company, approved January 21, 1896, approved January 27, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 264, House bill to incorporate the State Council of Virginia Junior Order of United American Mechanics of the State of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 284, House bill to amend and re-enact section 149 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 8, 1898, in reference to pay of judges and clerks of elections, so far as relates to the county of Prince William, was taken

up, twice read, and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

No. 296, House bill to amend and re-enact section 962 of chapter 43 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to who shall pay the expense of repairs and keeping in order public roads, where the said roads cross mill-dams, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 317, House bill to provide for the payment of \$20.00 to H. Dickinson, assignee of J. F. Smith, out of State school fund of Ervinton school district, in the county of Dickenson, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 320, House bill to provide for the separate accommodation of white and colored passengers in the sitting, sleeping, and eating apartments of steamboats plying in the waters within the jurisdiction of the commonwealth, and to provide certain police powers for captains, pursers, and other officers in command to enforce such regulations, and to prevent and suppress disorderly conduct on said boats, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 321, House bill to incorporate the Hairston Mining Company, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 323, House bill to incorporate the Virginia Northern Development Railway Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 326, House bill to incorporate the Mutual Homestead Fire Insurance Association, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 327, House bill to incorporate the Christ Church Loan Association, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 329, House bill to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in Nelson county, and to provide for the costs thereof, and the opening and altering of roads and building bridges in said county and to repeal the road law for said county approved March 7, 1894, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 331, House bill to amend and re-enact section 848 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the compensation of supervisors, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 2, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 26, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 13, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 14, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved December 13, 1897, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 1, 1898, fixing the per diem and mileage of supervisors in certain counties

of the State, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 270, Senate bill for the relief of the personal representatives and estate of William M. Flanagan.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 330, Senate bill to provide payment out of the public treasury to Fauquier county of the amount of criminal expense erroneously paid by said county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 324, Senate bill for the relief of R. B. Seay, late treasurer of Lunenburg county and his deputies.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 119, House bill to exonerate, relieve, and forever discharge James P. Keith from the payment of two fines and costs, namely: \$25 fine and \$4.95 costs, \$5 fine and \$6.95 costs, imposed on him by G. G. Isaacs, a justice of the peace of Russell county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 142, House bill for the relief of A. B. Cook.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 216, House bill to amend and re-enact section 622 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to the property that may be distrained for taxes, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 15, 1890, as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 2, 1894, as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, and to provide for the collection of unpaid taxes by renting real estate, and to fix the fees and charges in connection with proceedings under this act.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 304, House bill allowing the treasurer of Amherst county further time to collect taxes for the years 1895, 1896, and 1897.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 305, House bill to allow W. S. Summers further time within which to distrain, levy, and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and town, reported a substitute for

No. 149, Senate bill directing and instructing the treasurer of Princess Anne county to set aside and pay over to commissioners for improvements at Virginia Beach, in Princess Anne county, a portion of the county taxes and levies upon the property at said Virginia Beach and appointing said commissioners.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 315, Senate bill to enable the board of supervisors of Clarke county to borrow money and issue bonds.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 303, House bill to amend and re-enact section 54 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 308, House bill to authorize the council of the city of Buena Vista to issue bonds, and to provide for the payment of the same.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 204, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3179, of the Code of Virginia in reference to clerks' offices.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 380, A bill to authorize the board of directors of the Norfolk and Western Railway Company to locate or purchase certain branches; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 381, A bill for the relief of D. Moth Robertson of Appomattox county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 382, A bill for the relief of Mrs. Susan E. Cheatham of Appomattox county, which; on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 383, A bill for the relief of Robt. Penick of Appomattox county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 384, A bill to amend and re-enact an act empowering the board of supervisors of Buchanan county to increase the salary of the judge of said county, approved February 20, 1896; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave, presented

No. 385, A bill to prohibit the sale of wine, malt liquor or ardent spirits, or any mixture thereof, within one mile of any school house or church in any of the counties of this commonwealth; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 386, A bill to amend and re-enact sections three and six of an act to incorporate the town of Colburn in Wise county, approved February 23, 1894; which, on his motion, was read the first, or-

dered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. WHITEHEAD, by leave, presented

No. 387, A bill for the relief of Daniel Yeates, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. FAIRFAX, by leave, presented.

No. 388, A bill to regulate the sale of cider in Loudoun county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 389, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to extend the time for making returns of assessments for the city of Richmond, and for the county of Henrico, approved February 12, 1894; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 390, A bill amending and re-enacting section 3063 of the Code of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 391, A bill to amend and re-enact an act to incorporate the Danville and Riverside Railway Company, approved January 30, 1896; which, on his motion was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 392, A bill to validate the deed of partition of public square made between the city of Winchester, and the county of Frederick, and the agreement of compromise therein incorporated; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 393, A bill to amend and re-enact section 472 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the assessment of taxes, as amended and re-enacted by an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved February 28, 1890; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 394, A bill for the relief of S. A. Deakins, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered

to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 395, A bill for the relief of M. Robertson, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

The PRESIDENT laid before the Senate a communication from the secretary of State for the State of Texas.

AUSTIN, *January 26, 1900.*

Hon. President of the Senate, Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir,—In accordance with the provisions of the enclosed resolution of the Honorable Legislature of the State of Texas, petitioning the Congress of the United States of America to call a convention for proposing amendments to the Constitution of the United States, I have the honor to lay the same before you, and to hope that you and the Honorable Senate of Virginia concur in the sentiments and purposes therein expressed, and that you will join in the efforts of the Honorable Legislature of the State of Texas to consummate the purposes in the said resolution mentioned.

Very respectfully,

D. H. HARDY,

Secretary of State.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

D. H. HARDY, *Secretary of State.*

Concurrent Resolution, S. C. R. No. 4.

Whereas, the Constitution of the United States of America provided that Congress on the application of the Legislatures of two-thirds of the several States, shall call a convention for proposing amendments to said constitution :

Therefore, we, the Senate of the State of Texas, the House of Representatives of the State of Texas concurring, do hereby petition and request the Congress of the United States of America to call a convention for proposing amendments to said constitution as soon as the Legislatures of two-thirds of the several States of the United States of America shall concur in this resolution by applying to Congress to call said convention.

Be it further resolved, That the Secretary of State be and is hereby directed to send a copy of this resolution to the congressman from Texas, and to the Governor of each State at once, and to the Legislatures of the several States as they convene, with a request of them to concur with us in this resolution.

Approved June 5, 1899.

Which was read, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 297, To incorporate the Radford Colored Orphanage and Educational Reformatory School.

No. 313, Authorizing the sureties of Joshua G. Bray, ex-deputy treasurer of Gloucester county, to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected tax tickets in Abingdon district.

No. 273, To amend and re-enact section 726 of the Code of Virginia.

No. 41, To amend and re-enact section 3214, Code of Virginia, in relation to the county or corporation in which actions at law or suits in equity may be brought.

No. 205, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 17, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to who may practice law in this State, was taken up, read the third time, and rejected.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 361, To incorporate the Piedmont Lumber and Warehouse Company.

No. 264, For the relief of L. D. Jones.

No. 345, To authorize and empower the New York, Philadelphia and Norfolk Railroad Company to consolidate and merge with any other railroad company or companies, and to lease or purchase and operate any railroad, and also to purchase, own, sell, and dispose of the stocks, bonds, or other securities of railroad companies.

No. 10, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1258, Code of Virginia of 1887, in relation to railroad companies enclosing their road-beds with fences and erecting cattle-guards, approved February 9, 1898.

No. 327, To incorporate the Petersburg and Claremont Terminal Railroad Improvement Company and to define its powers.

No. 318, To incorporate the Fallsburg Power and Manufacturing Company.

No. 116, To amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 15, 1894, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as notaries, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 13, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of

Virginia so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as notaries, approved February 15, 1894, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as school trustees, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, approved February 23, 1898, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as justices.

No. 333, Senate bill to incorporate the Southern Seminary, at Bowling Green, Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 353, Senate bill for the relief of the estate of D. B. Long from certain delinquent taxes, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, 0.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Walker, Wallace and Whitehead—25.

NOES—none.

No. 123, Senate bill for the relief of George A. Hutcheson, of the city of Staunton, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, 0.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Walker, Wallace and Whitehead—25.

NOES—none.

Mr. OPIE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 337, Senate bill for the relief of Charles Richardson from the payment of certain fines, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 28; noes, 0.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Walker, Wallace and Whitehead—28.

NOES—none.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time :

No. 369, Authorizing the Dan River Power and Manufacturing Company to sell, transfer and dispose of its property, assets and rights and thereupon surrender its charter.

No. 368, To authorize School District No. 1 in the county of Tazewell, a corporation, to allow a monument to the Confederate

dead to be erected, maintained, and cared for on the grounds connected with, and a part of the Tazewell High School property.

No. 367, To authorize the county court and board of supervisors of Tazewell county to allow a monument to the Confederate dead to be erected, maintained and cared for, on the public square in the town of Tazewell, in said county.

No. 359, Providing for holding terms of court in Second Judicial Circuit.

No. 348, To protect purchaser for valuable consideration without notice against liens of the Mutual Assurance Society against fire on buildings in the State of Virginia until such liens are filed in the clerk's office.

No. 204, To validate certain contracts made and entered into by and between the Nottoway Building and Loan Association and its members.

No. 45, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to authorize the superintendent of the Virginia penitentiary to lease or purchase a farm, and to erect thereon suitable buildings for the care and employment of convicts, approved January 22, 1894, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. COGBILL offered an amendment, which was rejected, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 309, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Nottoway county to remit the amount due said county by Herman Jackson, its late clerk.

Mr. MANN moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill, and that it be referred to the committee on finance and banks, which was agreed to.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment.

No. 309, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Nottoway county to remit the amount due said county by Herman Jackson, its late clerk.

No. 60, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 4017 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the presence of the accused on a trial for felony, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. CLAYTOR offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. MUNFORD offered an amendment, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read the third time.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. EMORY, announcing that the House had passed House bill No. 322.

The bill was subsequently taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 265, Senate bill to prohibit any person or corporation from enticing, persuading, or procuring a servant to leave his master, or from harboring any servant who has unlawfully left his service,

and to provide punishment for same, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to.

Mr. LYLE offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. JAMES offered an amendment, which was rejected.

The bill was then refused to be engrossed by the following vote—ayes, 11; noes, 17.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Opie, Shands and Whitehead—11.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Fairfax, Foster, Gold, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Maynard, Morris, Munford, St Clair, Walker and Wallace—17.

A message was received from the governor by his private secretary, transmitting list of pardons, commutations, &c., and reasons therefor; which, on motion of Mr. McILWAINE, was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed as Senate document No. 5.

No. 358, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 3101 and 3102, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 423 of the Acts of Assembly 1893-'94, and 3105 of the Code, relating to the reporter of the supreme court of appeals, his duties and the duties of the clerk of said court with relation to its opinions, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 346, Senate bill to give county courts jurisdiction upon *scire facias* or motion to revive judgments of justices of the peace, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 301, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3319 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved February 12, 1898, in relation to the appointment of commissioners in chancery, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to.

Mr. LUPTON offered an amendment, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 178, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 4077 of the Code of Virginia, in regard to the safe keeping of prisoners under sentence for crime, was taken up, read the second time, and rejected.

No. 90, Senate bill in relation to judgments, &c., in Appomattox county, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. FAIRFAX moved to adjourn until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, January 30, 1900.

The House of Delegates has agreed to Senate joint resolution in regard to Maryland and Virginia boundary along the Potomac river.

They have passed Senate bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved December 21, 1891, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3044 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the counties and districts of the county court judges, No. 82.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend, consolidate, and re-enact chapter 31, Acts of 1872-'73, approved January 16, 1873, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Covington, in the county of Alleghany, and chapter 774, Acts of 1895-'96, March 4, 1896, entitled an act authorizing the election of a town assessor for the town of Covington, in Alleghany county, Virginia, relating to the charter and corporate limits of the town of Covington, and to extend the corporate limits of said town and enlarge its powers, No. 306; an act for the relief of the Atlantic City Water-Front Company, No. 325; an act to impose fine for trespass of swine and other stock in Rockfish district, Nelson county, No. 333; an act for the protection of partridges and quail in Lee county, Virginia, No. 334; an act to permit Isaac J. Savage and Isaac H. Savage to erect a wharf or pier on their land on a creek on the western side of Chincoteague island, Accomac county, Virginia, No. 335; an act to permit Isaac J. Savage and Isaac H. Savage to erect a wharf or pier on their land on a creek on the western side of Chincoteague island, Accomac county, Virginia, No. 336; and an act to permit Daniel T. Whealton to erect a wharf or pier on his land on Chincoteague island, Accomac county, Virginia, No. 337.

In which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 306, House bill to amend, consolidate and re-enact chapter thirty-one (31) acts of 1872-'73, approved January 16, 1873, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Covington in the county of Alleghany, and chapter 774 acts of 1895-'96 March 4, 1896, entitled an act authorizing the election of a town assessor for the town of Covington, in Alleghany county, Virginia, relating to the charter and

corporate limits of the town of Covington, and to extend the corporate limits of said town and enlarge its powers, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 325, House bill for the relief of the Atlantic City Water Front Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 333, House bill to impose fine for trespass of swine and other stock in Rockfish district, Nelson county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MASSIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 334, House bill for the protection of partridges and quail in Lee county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 335, House bill to permit Isaac J. Savage and Isaac H. Savage to erect a wharf or pier on their land on a creek on the western side of Chincoteague island, Accomac county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 336, House bill to permit Isaac J. Savage and Isaac H. Savage to erect a wharf or pier on their land on a creek on the western side of Chincoteague Island, Accomac county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 337, House bill to permit Daniel T. Whealton to erect a wharf or pier on his land on Chincoteague Island, Accomac county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported with an amendment

No. 181, Senate bill to incorporate the Samaritan Endowment Association.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 340, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the Funds of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Virginia, approved February 2, 1892.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 343, Senate bill to provide for the examination of the books, accounts, &c., of certain public officers and for the correction thereof.

The committee recommended that the bill be printed as amended, which was agreed to.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 108, House bill to provide for the recordation by clerks of the county or corporation courts of lists of conveyances and partitions that may have been returned thereto by the clerk of the general court, and may now be found therein and declaring the effect to be given said lists when so recorded.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 307, House bill to amend and re-enact an act regulating the transportation of bodies dead of contagious or infectious diseases, approved March 2, 1892.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 274, House bill for the relief of Abram P. Myers a veterinarian of the county of Rockingham.

Mr. MAYNARD from the committee on reads and internal navigation, reported with amendments

No. 321, Senate bill to incorporate the Russell Fork and Eastern Railroad Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 364, Senate bill to incorporate the Tidewater Transportation Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 379, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled "an act to authorize the construction by the Piedmont Soapstone Company of tramways or railroads not exceeding twenty-five miles in length, and the encumbering and disposal of the same," approved February 6, 1896, and to confirm the charter of the said company and authorize a change of its name.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 380, Senate bill to authorize the board of directors of the Norfolk and Western Railway Company to locate and construct or purchase certain branches.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 300, House bill to incorporate Citizens Railway, Light and Power Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 320, House bill to provide for the separate accommodation of white and colored passengers in the sitting, sleeping, and eating apartments of steamboats plying in the waters within the jurisdiction of the commonwealth, and to provide certain police powers for captains, pursers, and other officers in command to enforce such regulations and to prevent and suppress disorderly conduct on said boats.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 322, House bill to incorporate the Spotsylvania Mining Company.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 332, Senate bill to refund to the American Cement Company excess of tax for recordation of deed.

No. 322, House bill to incorporate the Spotsylvania Mining Company, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALLACE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 108, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 457 of the

Code of Virginia, in relation to what real estate exempt from taxation, was then taken up, read the third time, and passed, notwithstanding the objections of the executive. Ayes, 20; noes, 1.

On motion of Mr. JEFFRIES, the vote was recorded as follows:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Donohoe, Eggleston, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands and Wickham—20.

NOES—Mr. Walker—1.

No. 265, Senate bill to prohibit any person or corporation from enticing, persuading, or procuring a servant to leave his master, or from harboring any servant who has unlawfully left his service, and to provide punishment for same, which was taken up.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment, which was agreed to.

Mr. BARKSDALE offered a substitute to the bill

Mr. MUNFORD moved to pass by and print, which was agreed to.

Mr. OPIE, by leave, presented

No. 396, A bill for the relief of Mrs. J. W. Sprinkle, a widow of a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave, presented

No. 397, A bill to prevent the erection of screens or other like devices at the doors of entrance from the public highway to any saloon, bar-room, or compartment in any store used for the sale of liquors, wines, or ardent spirits or any mixture thereof; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 398, A bill for the relief of James W. Newman, an ex-Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 399, A bill to create and maintain a State Board of Crop Pests Commissioners and to define their powers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 400, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act approved February 25, 1892, entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the Trustees of the Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, approved January the 9th, 1867, in relation to the power of conferring degrees by said Seminary; which, on his motion, was

read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 401, A bill for the relief of Joseph Galloway, of Lee county, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 402, A bill for the relief of the congregation and members of Madison Station, M. E. Church, South, in Amherst county, authorizing the establishment of Mead Memorial Burying-ground and defining the duties and power of the trustees thereof; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 403; A bill for the relief of Henrietta F. Venable, of Appomattox county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 404, A bill for the relief of W. T. Childress, of Appomattox county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 405, A bill to incorporate the Virginia State Horticultural Society and to define its powers and duties; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing.

Mr. WALKER, by leave, presented

No. 406, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of chapter 633 of the acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, session 1893-'94, entitled an act imposing a tax on building and loan associations, approved March 5, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 8, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 407, A bill entitled an act to incorporate the James River Railway Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 331, To amend and re-enact section 848 of the Code of Virginia relating to the compensation of supervisors, as amended

and re-enacted by an act, approved March 2, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 26, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 13, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 14, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved December 13, 1897, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 1, 1898, fixing the per diem and mileage of supervisors in certain counties of the State.

No. 317, To provide for the payment of \$20.00 to H. H. Dickinson assignee of J. F. Smith, out of State school fund of Ervinton school district, in the county of Dickenson.

No. 321, To incorporate the Hairston Mining Company.

No. 308, To authorize the council of the city of Buena Vista to issue bonds, and to provide for the payment of the same.

No. 303, To amend and re-enact section 54 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896.

No. 204, To amend and re-enact second 3179 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to clerks' offices.

No. 305, To allow W. S. Summers further time within which to distrain, levy and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State.

No. 304, Allowing the treasurer of Amherst county further time to collect taxes for the years 1895, 1896, and 1897.

No. 142, House bill for the relief of A. B. Cook, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES.—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Wallace and Wickham—25.

NOES.—None.

No. 119, House bill to exonerate, relieve, and forever discharge James P. Keith from the payment of two fines and costs, namely : \$25 fine and \$4.95 costs, \$5 fine and \$6.95 costs, imposed on him by G. G. Isaacs, a justice of the peace of Russell county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES.—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Walker, Wallace and Whitehead—29.

NOES.—None.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 368, To authorize School District No. 1, in county of Tazewell, a corporation, to allow a monument to the Confederate dead to be erected, maintained, and cared for on the grounds connected with and a part of the Tazewell high school property.

No. 367, To authorize the county court and board of supervisors of Tazewell county to allow a monument to the Confederate dead to be erected, maintained, and cared for on the public square in the town of Tazewell, in said county.

No. 359, Providing for holding terms of court in second judicial circuit.

No. 348, To protect purchaser for valuable consideration, without notice, against liens of the Mutual Assurance Society against fire on buildings in the State of Virginia until such liens are filed in the clerk's office.

No. 346, To give county courts jurisdiction upon *scire facias* or motion to revive judgments of justices of the peace.

No. 90, In relation to judgments, &c., in Appomattox county.

No. 45, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to authorize the superintendent of the Virginia penitentiary to lease or purchase a farm, and to erect thereon suitable buildings for the care and employment of convicts, approved January 22, 1894, was taken up, read the third time, and passed by the following vote—ayes, 24; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Cogbill, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Gold, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Walker, Wallace and Whitehead—24.

NOES—None.

Mr. KEEZELL offered an amendment to the title "so as to provide for an increase in the compensation of the guards at said farm," which was agreed to.

No. 369, Senate bill authorizing the Dan River Power and Manufacturing Company to sell, transfer and dispose of its property, assets and rights and thereupon surrender its charter, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. JAMES moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 358, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 3101 and 3102 as amended and re-enacted by chapter 423 of the Acts of Assembly 1893-'94, and 3105 of the Code, relating to the Reporter of the Supreme Court of Appeals, his duties, and the duties of the clerks of said court with relations to its opinions, was taken up, read the third time and passed.

Committee amendment to title was agreed to.

No. 232, House bill to allow the Michie Company to publish certain reports of the decisions of the Court of Appeals of Virginia, was taken up.

Mr. JEFFRIES moved that the committee for courts of justice be discharged from further consideration of the bill, and that it be referred to the committee on library, which was agreed to.

No. 301, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3319 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved February 12, 1898, in relation to the appointment of commissioners in chancery, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to reconsider the vote, by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment, which was agreed to.

Mr. LUTPON moved to pass the bill by, which was agreed to.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time :

No. 386, To amend and re-enact sections 3 and 6 of an act to incorporate the town of Colburn, in Wise county, approved February 23, 1894.

No. 388, To regulate the sale of cider in Loudoun county.

No. 389, To amend and re-enact an act to extend the time for making returns of assessments for the city of Richmond and for the county of Henrico, approved February 12, 1894.

No. 315, To enable the board of supervisors of Clarke county to borrow money and issue bonds therefor.

No. 324, For the relief of R. B. Seay, late treasurer of Lunenburg county, and his deputies.

No. 330, To provide payment out of the public treasury to Fauquier county of the amount of criminal expenses erroneously paid by said county.

No. 309, To authorize the board of supervisors of Nottoway county to remit the amount due said county by Herman Jackson, its late clerk.

No. 392, To validate the deed of partition of the Public Square made between the city of Winchester and the county of Frederick and the agreement of compromise therein incorporated.

No. 274, Senate bill to repeal sections 2194, 2195, 2196, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend section 2214 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend section 8 of an act approved February 18, 1896, to provide for the protection of domestic animals, and to authorize and empower the board of control of the experiment station of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg, to establish live stock quarantine lines, rules and regulations, and to prescribe penalties for violating the same, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. LYLE, offered amendments.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to recommit the bill to the committee on agricultural, mining and manufacturing, which was agreed to.

No. 292, Senate bill to allow lessees of fifty or more contiguous acres of planting-ground to dredge or scrape the same under certain conditions, and to impose a penalty for dredging or scraping planting-grounds except as provided in this act, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. LE CATO moved to recommit the bill to the committee on fish and game, which was agreed to.

No. 253, Senate bill to amend and re-enact the tenth sub-division of section 183 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1892, relating to the salaries of superintendent of the penitentiary, surgeon, assistant keepers, and clerks, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to.

Mr. LYLE moved to reconsider the vote by which the committee amendment was adopted, which was agreed to, the committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 149, Senate bill directing and instructing the treasurer of Princess Ann county to set aside and pay over to commissioners for improvements at Virginia Beach, in Princess Anne county, a portion of the county taxes and levies upon the property at said Virginia Beach, and appointing said commissioners, was taken up, read the second time, the committee substitute adopted, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 270, Senate bill for the relief of the personal representative and estate of William M. Flanagan, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. COGBILL offered an amendment, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 160, House bill to change the name of the Elizabeth Night Ferry Company to the Elizabeth River Ferry Company, and to amend and re-enact sections 1, 2, and 3 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Elizabeth Night Ferry Company, approved January 15, 1896, was taken up.

Mr. MAYNARD moved that the committee on general laws be discharged from further consideration of the bill, and that it be referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1900.

Lieut.-Governor EDWARDS ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. W. T. Derieux.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, January 31, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act authorizing the auditor of public accounts to issue a warrant to F. Sale and J. W. Austin for the payment of \$25 for services rendered by them in making an autopsy of the body of Edward Smith, deceased, No. 28; an act to amend and re-enact independent section 11 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2137, 2148, 2151, 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145 and 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 25, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 831 of the acts of 1895 and 1896, approved March 5, 1896, No. 289; an act to regulate the taking and catching of clams for sale or planting in the waters of the commonwealth, No. 290; an act to provide for setting apart and designating crabbing grounds in the waters of the commonwealth, No. 291; an act to amend and re-enact section 2131 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2131 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2137, 2148, 2151, 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145, and 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 24, 1894, No. 293.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported with an amendment

No. 145, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1398 of the Code, in reference to conveyances and gifts by will for religious purposes, as amended by an act approved March 4, 1898, entitled an act to amend section 1398 of the Code and section 1399, as amended by an act approved January 31, 1890, as to what conveyances for religious purposes are valid, was subsequently taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

He, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 186, Senate bill to provide when a jury shall be kept to-

gether in a civil case, and how the expense thereof shall be paid, was subsequently taken up, read a second time.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to indefinitely postpone the bill, which was agreed to.

He, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 187, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3426 of the Code of Virginia, relating to interlocutory decrees and orders in vacation, was subsequently taken up, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE, indefinitely postponed.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 211, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the circuit and corporation courts of this commonwealth to render judgments against receivers and commissioners and purchasers at judicial sales, and their sureties, in certain cases, was subsequently taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

He, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 222, Senate bill requiring parties suing out attachments or garnishee process to give bond.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 36, House bill making the injury to or destruction of fences or cattle-stops along the line of railroads a misdemeanor and prescribing penalty therefor, was subsequently taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 96, House bill to permit W. D. Gay to obtain license to practice law in Virginia courts, was subsequently taken up, read the third time, committee amendment agreed to, and passed with its title.

He, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 99, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3319 of chapter 163 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the appointment of commissioners in chancery in Russell county, was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE, indefinitely postponed.

He, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 134, House bill to repeal section 219 of the Code of Virginia, edition of 1887.

He from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 185, House bill to amend and re-enact sections three thousand, seven hundred and fifty-two and three thousand, seven hundred and fifty-three of the Code of Virginia, in relation to how officers suffering prisoners to escape, shall be punished, was

subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 231, House bill to provide for the garnishment of, and levy of execution on wages and salaries of all State officials, clerks and employees.

And he, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 276, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3838, of the Code as amended by an act approved March 5, 1890, in relation to attorney fees, was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed.

The committee proposed the following amendment to title, in title after word "Code" insert "of Virginia," which was agreed to.

Mr. LE CATO, from the committee on fish and game, reported without amendment

No. 265, House bill to protect the mongolian and the cross between the mongolian and the English pheasant in the counties of Louisa, Albemarle, Loudon, Fauquier, Alleghany, Bath, Highland, Augusta and Montgomery, and the city of Charlottesville, was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 269, House bill to protect the spawning beds of fish in the waters of Alexandria county, in the Potomac river and its tributaries, in tide-water and above tide-water, was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 292, House bill for the protection of partridges or quails, pheasants or ruffed grouse, wild turkeys, wood cock, and hares in the counties of Caroline, Hanover and Henrico, was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported with amendments

No. 319, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 23 of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, and also to amend and re-enact section 25 of the same act as amended by an act approved March 3, 1898.

Mr. GOLD, by leave, presented

No. 408, A bill to authorize the town of Berryville to mortgage the water-works of said town for the purpose of providing additional security for the payment of the principal and interest of

bonds of said town to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 409, A bill to empower the board of supervisors of Wise county to settle by compromise, or otherwise, delinquent and unsettled county and district taxes charged against the Fayette Land Company and its successors in interest; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 410, A bill to exempt from taxation the property of the King's Daughters Hospital, of Portsmouth, Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 411, A bill to authorize the United States government to acquire title to and jurisdiction over certain lands situate on Cape Henry, in the county of Princess Anne; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 412, A bill to authorize and require the commissioners of the sinking fund of Virginia to invest and compound the dividends received from the commonwealth's holdings in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company as a sinking fund to pay the public debt; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WALLACE, by leave, presented

No. 413, A bill to allow H. C. Chesley, treasurer of the county of Stafford, Virginia, and his deputies, further time to collect unpaid tax tickets now in their hands; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No. 414, A bill to authorize the district school board of trustees of Ashland school district of Hanover county, Virginia, to sell certain land bought by them and not needed for public school purposes; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further

motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No. 415, A bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in Hanover county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. SHANDS, by leave, presented

No. 416, A bill for the relief of Frank Stringfellow; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 417, A bill to incorporate the Negro Agricultural and Industrial Society of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 418, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Portsmouth and Princess Point Drawbridge Company, approved February 11, 1896; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 419, A bill for the relief of Mildred A. Lewis, of Appomattox county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PRIDDY announcing that that House had passed the following joint resolutions:

Whereas, the General Assembly of Virginia has learned with indignation and sorrow of the dastardly attempt to assassinate Hon. Wm. Goebel, Governor of our sister State of Kentucky; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the House of Delegates (the Senate concurring) That the General Assembly of Virginia express to Governor Goebel, its sympathy in his suffering and its sincerest hope that he may be speedily restored to health and to the peaceable execution of the highest office to which he was elected by the people of Kentucky.

Resolved further, That the clerk of the House of Delegates be, and is hereby directed, to telegraph a copy of this resolution to each,

Governor Goebel and the Hon. Speaker of the Kentucky House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. ST. CLAIR presented the following joint resolution :

Resolved, By the Senate, the House concurring, that they proceed to the election of county court judges for the counties of Buchanan and Dickenson at 1.30 o'clock to-day.

Which was agreed to, and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles.

No. 216, To amend and re-enact section 622 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to the property that may be distrained for taxes, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 15, 1890, as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 2, 1894, as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, and to provide for the collection of unpaid taxes by renting real estate, and to fix the fees and charges in connection with proceedings under this act.

No. 274, For the relief of Abram P. Myers, a veterinarian of the county of Rockingham.

No. 307, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act regulating the transportation of bodies dead of contagious or infectious diseases, approved March 2, 1892.

No. 334, For the protection of partridges and quail in Lee county, Virginia.

No. 337, To permit Daniel T. Whealton to erect a wharf or pier on his land on Chincoteague Island, Accomac county, Virginia.

No. 333, To impose fine for trespass of swine and other stock in Rockfish district, Nelson county.

No. 336, To permit Isaac J. Savage and Isaac H. Savage to erect a wharf or pier on their land on a creek on the western side of Chincoteague island, Accomac county, Virginia.

No. 335, To permit Isaac J. Savage and Isaac H. Savage to erect a wharf or pier on their land on a creek on the western side of Chincoteague island, Accomac county, Virginia.

No. 300, House bill to incorporate Citizens Railway, Light, and Power Company, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 320, House bill to provide for the separate accommodation of white and colored passengers in the sitting, sleeping, and eating apartments of steamboats plying in the waters within the jurisdiction of the commonwealth, and to provide certain police powers for captains, pursers, and other officers in command to enforce such regulations and to prevent and suppress disorderly conduct

on said boats, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALKER moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 264, House bill to incorporate the State Council of Virginia Junior Order of United American Mechanics of the State of Virginia, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. SANDS moved to commit to the committee on general laws, which was agreed to.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 386, To amend and re-enact sections 3 and 6 of an act to incorporate the town of Colburn, in Wise county, approved February 23, 1894.

No. 388, To regulate the sale of cider in Loudon county.

No. 389, To amend and re-enact an act to extend the time for making returns of assessments for the city of Richmond and for the county of Henrico, approved February 12, 1894.

No. 315, To enable the board of supervisors of Clarke county to borrow money and issue bonds therefor.

No. 149, Directing and instructing the treasurer of Princess Anne county to set aside and pay over to commissioners for improvements at Virginia Beach, in Princess Anne county, a portion of the county taxes and levies upon the property at said Virginia Beach, and appointing said commissioners.

No. 324, For the relief of R. B. Seay, late treasurer of Lunenburg county, and his deputies.

No. 309, To authorize the board of supervisors of Nottoway county to remit the amount due said county by Herman Jackson, its late clerk.

No. 392, To validate the deed of partition of the Public Square made between the city of Winchester and the county of Frederick and the agreement of compromise therein incorporated.

No. 270, Senate bill for the relief of the personal representative and estate of William M. Flanagan, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Foster, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 330, Senate bill to provide payment out of the public treas-

ury to Fauquier county of the amount of criminal expenses erroneously paid by said county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 31; noes, 0.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—31.

NOES—None.

No. 60, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 4017 of the Code of Virginia, in relating to the presence of the accused on a trial for felony, was taken up, read the third time, and rejected by the following vote—ayes, 15; noes, 15.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Flood, Keezell, Lupton, Mann, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair and Watkins—15.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Foster, Glass, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—15.

The PRESIDENT casting the deciding vote in the negative.

No. 204, Senate bill to validate certain contracts made and entered into by and between the Nottoway Building and Loan Association and its members, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MANN moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 253, House bill to amend and re-enact the tenth subdivision of section 183 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1892, relating to the salaries of superintendent of the penitentiary, surgeon, assistant keepers, and clerks, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 27; noes, 0.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Sands, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—27.

NOES—None.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time :

No. 301, To amend and re-enact section 3319 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved February 12, 1898, in relation to the appointment of commissioners in chancery.

No. 340, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the trustees of the funds of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the diocese of Virginia, approved February 2, 1892.

No. 379, To amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled "an act to authorize the construction by the Piedmont Soapstone Company of tramways or railroads not exceeding twenty-five miles in length, and the encumbering and disposal of the same," approved February 6, 1896, and to confirm the charter of the said company and authorize a change of its name.

No. 400, To amend and re-enact section 2 of an act approved February 25, 1892, entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the trustees of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, approved January 9, 1867, in relation to the power of conferring degrees by said seminary.

No. 332, Senate bill to refund to the American Cement Company excess of tax for recordation of deed, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time, and on being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. SHANDS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title, by the following vote—ayes, 31; noes, none.

Senators who voted are ;

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—31.

NOES—None.

No. 380, Senate bill to authorize the board of directors of the Norfolk and Western Railroad Company to locate and construct or purchase certain branches, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion Mr. LYLE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. LYLE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 265, Senate bill to prohibit any person or corporation from enticing, persuading, or procuring a servant to leave his master, or from harboring any servant who has unlawfully left his service, and to provide punishment for same, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. BARKSDALE proposed a substitute, and on his further motion, the bill was passed by.

No. 364, Senate bill to incorporate the Tidewater Transportation Company, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. WICKHAM offered an amendment, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 5, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3166 of the Code, in relation to trial by jury, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. CLAYTOR, was made the special and continuing order for Monday, February 5th, at 1 o'clock, P. M.

No. 22, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 637 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 23, 1894, in relation to advertisement and sale of delinquent lands by treasurers, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. JEFFRIES offered an amendment, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 181, Senate bill to incorporate the Samaritan Endowment Association, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 321, Senate bill to incorporate the Russell Fork and Eastern Railroad Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 325, Senate bill to validate the purchase by the board of supervisors of Frederick county of a lot in the city of Winchester and to declare the uses therein.

Mr. LUPTON moved that the committee on county, city and town be discharged from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. LUPTON (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. SANDS, Senate bill No. 343 was recommitted to the committee on general laws.

The PRESIDENT announced the appointment of Messrs. WALKER and KEEZELL as a committee on the part of the Senate under joint resolution in regard to Maryland and Virginia boundary line along the Potomac river.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1900.

President *pro tem.* H. T. WICKHAM in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. W. T. Derieux.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, February 1, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to authorize and empower the State Board of Fisheries to employ a surveyor or surveyors, and making an appropriation for compensation of the same, No. 294 ; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3, chapter 743, of the acts of 1893 and 1894, in relation to time of assessing for taxation of oysters, shells, &c., approved March 4, 1898, No. 295 ; an act for the relief of C. L. Kennedy, ex-sheriff of Stafford county, Virginia, No. 312.

They have agreed to Senate joint resolution with reference to the election of county judges for Dickenson and Buchanan counties, with an amendment.

In which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

Resolved, by the Senate (the House concurring), That they proceed to the election of the county court judges for the counties of Buchanan and Dickenson at 12.30 o'clock, Friday, February 2, 1900, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE, House amendment agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee on courts of justice, reported with an amendment

No. 64, Senate bill to amend and re-enact chapter 20 of the acts of Assembly of 1897-1898, to prescribe and regulate the procedure by which unpaid subscriptions to joint stock companies may be recovered by said companies, their creditors, receivers, trustees, assignees, and any other persons.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported with a substitute

No. 108, House bill to provide for the recordation by clerks of the county or corporation courts of lists of conveyances and partitions that may have been returned thereto by the clerk of the general court, and may now be found therein and declaring the effect to be given said lists when so recorded.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave, presented

No. 420, A bill to amend and re-enact section 184 of the Code of Virginia ; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

No. 421, A bill to amend and re-enact section 606 of the Code of Virginia in reference to the form of lists and oaths to be made by treasurer in returning lists of uncollected taxes and levies, as amended and re-enacted by act approved March 3, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

No. 422, A bill for the relief of Henry E. Barksdale, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

No. 423, A bill for the relief of A. H. Faulkner, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 424, A bill for the relief of R. T. Tucker, of Appomattox county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LUPRON, by leave, presented

No. 425, A bill for the relief of D. H. Bragonier, a justice of the peace for the city of Winchester; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 426, A bill to authorize the heirs at law of Louisa Snowden to pay certain taxes and levies on a tract of land in Fairfax county in satisfaction and discharge of all taxes and levies assessed and charged against it; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 427, A bill to incorporate the Virginia Club; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring) was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And on his further motion, Mr. MUNFORD was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave, presented

No. 428, A bill to increase the salary of the judge of the second judicial circuit; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 429, A bill to authorize and require the commissioners of the Sinking Fund of Virginia to accept on behalf of the commonwealth the offer of Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company guaranteeing a dividend on the State's holdings in said railroad company of not less than twelve per centum per annum and to enter into a contract binding the same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

A petition of the conductors, motormen and trolley men of the Washington, Alexandria and Mt. Vernon Electric Railway Company relative to the bill to regulate the hours of labor of conductors and motormen on the street railways in this State, which was read and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 408, Senate bill to authorize the town of Berryville to mortgage the water-works of said town for the purpose of providing additional security for the payment of the principal and interest of bonds of said town to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

Mr. GOLD moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill.

Which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 231, House bill to provide for the garnishment of and levy of execution on wages and salaries of all State officials, clerks, and employees, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 301, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3319 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved February 12, 1898, in relation to the appointment of commissioners in chancery, was taken up, read the third time, and passed.

Committee amendment to title agreed to.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 181, To incorporate the Samaritan Endowment Association.

No. 340, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Trustees of the funds of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Virginia, approved February 2, 1892.

No. 379, To amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to authorize the construction by the Piedmont Soapstone Company of tramways or railroads not exceeding twenty-five miles in length, and the encumbering and disposal of the same, approved February 6, 1896, and to confirm the charter of the said company and authorize a change of its name.

No. 364, To incorporate the Tidewater Transportation Company.

No. 145, To amend and re-enact section 1398 of the Code, in reference to conveyances and gifts by will for religious purposes, as amended by an act approved March 4, 1898, entitled an act to amend section 1398 of the Code and section 1399 of the Code, as amended by an act approved January 31, 1890, as to what conveyances for religious purposes are valid.

No. 211. To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the circuit and corporation courts of this commonwealth to render judgments against receivers and commissioners and purchasers at judicial sales, and their sureties, in certain cases.

No. 400, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act approved February 25, 1892, entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the trustees of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, approved January 9, 1867, in relation to the power of conferring degrees by said seminary, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. MUNFORD, moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment, which was agreed to, he then offered an amendment, which was agreed to, the bill was then ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 265, Senate bill to prohibit any person or corporation from engaging in the business of enticing, persuading or procuring servants to leave their masters, and to provide punishment therefor, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. BARKSDALE offered a substitute, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

The hour 12:30 having arrived, a message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PRICE, who informed the Senate that that house was ready on its part to proceed to the execution of the joint order of the day, which has for its object the election of county judges for Buchanan and Dickenson counties.

On motion of Mr. BRUCE, he was ordered to inform the House that the Senate was ready on its part to execute the joint order of the day.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. GENT, who informed the Senate that the only names before that house for county judges are:

For Buchanan—Alexander Beavers.

For Dickenson—A. A. Skeen.

Mr. BRUCE then nominated the list above, and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates that the only names before the Senate were those inserted above.

The roll was then called, with the following result:

For Alexander Beavers, - - - 32

Senators who voted for ALEXANDER BEAVERS are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—32.

For. A. A. Skeen, - - - 29

Senators who voted for A. A. SKEEN are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. BRUCE and WALKER a committee on the part of the Senate to meet a similar committee on the part of the House of Delegates and count the joint vote, who, through their chairman, reported :

For judge of the county court of Buchanan :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	109
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	55
Of which Alexander Beavers received	-	-	109

Alexander Beavers having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the county court of Buchanan county for the legal term of that office.

For judge of the county court of Dickenson :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	106
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	54
Of which A. A. Skeen received	-	-	106

A. A. Skeen having received all of the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the county court of Dickenson county for the legal term of that office.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and town, reported with amendment

No. 362, Senate bill to authorize enlargement of the corporate limits of the city of Staunton, when approved by vote of the people affected, and providing for the taking of such vote.

No. 179, Senate bill to repeal chapter 81 of the Code, and to repeal an act approved February 29, 1888, entitled an act to further define the duties and enlarge the powers of the Commissioner of Agriculture, and an act approved March 5, 1888, entitled an act to provide for a Board of Agriculture of Virginia, and making appropriation therefor, and to reform the department of agriculture, provide for the appointment of a Commissioner and Board of Agriculture, define the duties of the Commissioner and Board; to regulate the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers and impose a tax on said fertilizers, was taken up.

Mr. MANN offered a substitute to the bill and asked to have it printed, which was agreed to.

No. 1, Senate bill to provide for submitting to the qualified voters of the State the question of calling a Constitutional Convention, to be held for the purpose of revising and amending the present Constitution, being the special order of the day, the hour of 12.45 o'clock having arrived, was taken up.

Mr. FLOOD offered an amendment.

Mr. LUPTON moved to recommit the bill to the committee for courts of justice, which was agreed to.

No. 122, Senate joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1 of article 3 of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for publishing said amendment and certifying the same to the next General Assembly, being the special order of the day, the hour of 1 o'clock having arrived, was taken up.

Mr. BLAKEY moved to indefinitely postpone consideration of the bill which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 16; noes, 14.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Gold, James, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, Maynard, Opie, Tyler, Wallace and Whitehead—16.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, McIlwaine, Morris, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—14.

Mr. OPIE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 14; noes, 16.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Walker and Wickham—14.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Gold, James, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, Opie, Tyler, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—16.

No. 229, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3089 of the Code of Virginia, and section 3090 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 18, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 112, 633, 674, 2533, 3045, 3053, 3090, 3091, 3455, 3492, 4048, and 4049 of an act entitled an act to revise and arrange and consolidate into a code the general statutes of the commonwealth, approved May 16, 1897, was taken up.

Mr. LYLE moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment which was agreed to.

Mr. LYLE offered an amendment to the bill.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to pass by, which was agreed to.

No. 319, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 23 of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits,

malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, and also to amend and re-enact section 25 of the same act as amended by an act approved March 3, 1838, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 108, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 457 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to what real estate exempt from taxation.

Mr. MANN moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed over the executive's veto.

Mr. BARKSDALE moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. MASSIE, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1900.

Lieut.--Governor EDW. ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. W. T. Derieux.

Journal of Saturday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 2, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges of the county of Goochland, approved Jan., 6, 1898, No. 102; an act to incorporate the Petersburg and Claremont Terminal Railroad and Improvement Company, and to define its powers, No. 327; an act to incorporate the Southern Seminary at Bowling Green, Va., No. 333; an act to authorize the county court and the board of supervisors of Tazewell county to allow a monument to the Confederate dead to be erected, maintained, and cared for in the public square of Tazewell, in said county, No. 367; an act to authorize School District No. 1, in the county of Tazewell, a corporation, to allow a monument to the Confederate dead to be erected, maintained, and cared for on the grounds connected with, and a part of, the Tazewell High School property, No. 368; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 1, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act entitled an act to amend the charter and extend and define the boundaries of the city of Norfolk, approved April 6, 1887, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 5, 6, and 13 of an act to amend the charter and

extend and define the boundaries of the city, approved April 6, 1887, approved March 3, 1890, No. 84; an act to compensate school trustees other than clerks of district boards in Craig county, and members of the county school board of said county, No. 278; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Rockingham county, in their discretion, to levy a tax, not exceeding fifteen cents on the one hundred dollars of taxable values in any of the magisterial districts of said county, for district school purposes, No. 357; an act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Union University, approved March 4, 1896, and to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the Richmond Institute, in the city of Richmond, approved February 5, 1886, No. 182; an act to amend and re-enact section 10 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Gladeville Railroad Company, in Wise county, approved February 20, 1892, No. 354; an act to incorporate the Fallsburg Power and Manufacturing Company, No. 318; an act to authorize the Jefferson Davis Monument Association to transfer and deliver all its funds, assets, and property to the United Daughters of the Confederacy, No. 228; an act directing and instructing the treasurer of Princess Anne county to set aside and pay over to commissioners for improvements at Virginia Beach, in Princess Anne county, a portion of the county taxes and levies upon the property at said Virginia Beach, and appointing said commissioners, No. 149; an act to compensate school trustees other than clerks in Hanover county, No. 415; and an act to authorize the district school board of trustees of Ashland school district of Hanover county, Virginia, to sell certain land bought by them and not needed for public school purposes, No. 414.

They have dismissed Senate bill entitled an act for the relief of E. W. Armisted, No. 161.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bills entitled an act to increase the jurisdiction of justices of the peace for the city of Richmond, No. 132; an act to authorize A. B. Dye, James H. Thompson, J. B. Ashbrook, Jonas Rasnake, H. J. Tate, and Thomas D. Fugate, deputies of V. B. Gilmer, late treasurer of Russell county, to distrain for uncollected taxes for the years 1896, 1897, 1898, and 1899, No. 199.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to incorporate the West End Cemetery Company of Manassas, No. 344; an act to provide for a road law for Stafford county, No. 345; an act repealing the act which was approved on March 3, 1898; authorizing an election in Buckingham county upon the question of the removal of the court house of the said county, No. 347; an act to allow F. P. Smith treasurer of Madison county further time within which to distrain, levy and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State, No. 348; an act to incorporate the Newport News General Hospital Association, No. 349; an act to incorporate Fredericksburg College, No. 350; an act to ratify and

confirm the charter of the Lumberman's Marine Insurance Company, No. 354; an act to amend and re-enact section two of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Abingdon Coal and Iron Railroad Company, approved April 11, 1887, and to extend the time for the completion of line by road of the Virginia Carolina Railroad Company, which has succeeded to all the property, rights, and franchises of said Abingdon Coal and Iron Railroad Company, No. 368; an act to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act entitled an act to provide for working and repairing the public roads and bridges of Isle of Wight county, approved March 5, 1894, No. 380; an act to protect wooden bridges in the county of Rockbridge from fire by steam engines passing over the same, No. 383; an act imposing upon railroad corporations, and any receiver, trustee, lessee, mortgagee, or other person operating a railroad in the State of Virginia, liability for damages or injury sustained by any person, including employees of such corporation, in consequence of the negligence, carelessness, incompetency of any officer, agent, conductor, engineer, or other employee of such corporations, receiver, trustee, lessee, mortgagee, or other persons, No. 279; an act to incorporate Virginia Transportation Company, No. 177; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3586 (should be 3856) of the Code of Virginia, in relation to killing trees near highways, injuring bridges, obstructing roads and riding or driving animals or vehicles on sidewalks, &c.; how punished, approved March 3, 1898, No. 324; an act to amend and re-enact section 90 of an act approved February 28, 1896, entitled an an act to provide a new charter for the city of Roanoke, in relation to justices of the peace in said city, No. 338; an act to allow C. W. Thomas, treasurer of the city of Roanoke further time to collect certain tax tickets in his hands, No. 342; an act to amend and re-enact section 3524 of the Code of Virginia in reference to allowance by board of supervisors to clerks of circuit courts, No. 343; an act to incorporate the Whitlock-Hanson Pump-Dredge Company, and to define its powers and privileges, No. 351; an act regulating appointments of assessors of lands and lots in the county of Warwick and providing compensation for same, No. 353; an act to regulate hunting partridges in the county of Nelson, No. 358; an act allowing the city of Norfolk to increase the salary of the judge of the court of law and chancery of said city, and to still further increase the salary of the judge of the corporation court of said city, No. 359; an act to allow J. H. Whealton and E. B. Blackman to erect a break-water on lower or eastern side of Whealton wharf, Rappahannock river, No. 360; an act to amend and re-enact section 444 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved March 8, 1894, in relation to the correction of erroneous assessment of lands, No. 362; an act for the relief of W. C. Sanders, late treasurer of Wythe county, No. 363; an act for the relief of W. H. Purkins, treasurer of Middlesex county, to give him and

his former deputies powers of levy and distress to collect certain uncollected tax tickets now in their possession, and for which they have accounted to the proper fiscal agents, No. 365; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 2, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 32, chapter 1, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on license to transact business, and in paying taxes thereon, for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining license to sell wine, ardent spirits, or malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, relating to sale by peddlers, No. 366; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the trustees of the funds of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the diocese of Virginia, approved February 2, 1892, No. 372; an act to incorporate the New River Telephone Company, No. 373; an act to amend and re-enact section 4018 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to writs of *venire facias* in cases of felony, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 5, 1896, No. 375; an act to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of King William county to build, construct, and maintain a bridge over the Pamunkey river, near New Castle Ferry, between King William and Hanover counties, No. 376; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Giles county to issue bonds of the county instead of county warrants, in settlement of a contract with Virginia Bridge and Iron Company, for the construction of a bridge at Ripplemead, Giles county, Virginia, No. 379; an act to allow the directors of the Ohio and Big Sandy Coal Company to change the name of said company, No. 381; an act to prohibit the taking of fish in Goose creek, in the counties of Fauquier and Loudoun above Outlands, with a seine or other device except hook and line or dip-net, No. 382; and an act to provide for a special fence law in the county of Lee, State of Virginia, No. 384.

In which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 344, House bill to incorporate the West-End Cemetery Company of Manassas, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 345, House bill to provide for a road law for Stafford county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 347, House bill repealing the act which was approved on March 3, 1898, authorizing an election in Buckingham county upon the question of the removal of the court-house of the said county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar;

and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 348, House bill to allow F. P. Smith, treasurer of Madison county, further time within which to distrain, levy, and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 349, House bill to incorporate the Newport News General Hospital Association, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 350, House bill to incorporate Fredericksburg College, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 354, House bill to ratify and confirm the charter of the Lumbermen's Marine Insurance Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 368, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Abingdon Coal and Iron Railroad Company, approved April 11, 1887, and to extend the time for the completion of line by road of the Virginia-Carolina Railroad Company, which has succeeded to all the property, rights, and franchises of said Abingdon Coal and Iron Railroad Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 380, House bill to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act entitled an act to provide for working and repairing the public roads and bridges of Isle of Wight county, approved March 5, 1894, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SHANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 383, House bill to protect wooden bridges in the county of Rockbridge from fire by steam engines passing over the same, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 279, House bill imposing upon railroad corporations and any receiver, trustee, lessee, mortgagee, or other person operating a railroad in the State of Virginia, liability for damages or injury sustained by any person, including employees of such corporation, in consequence of the negligence, carelessness, incompetency of any officer, agent, conductor, engineer, or other employee of such corporations, receiver, trustee, lessee, mortgagee, or other persons, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 177, House bill to incorporate Virginia Transportation Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 324, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3586 (should be 3856), of the Code of Virginia, in relation to killing trees near highways, injuring bridges, obstructing roads, and riding or driving animals or vehicles on sidewalks, &c., how punished, approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 338, House bill to amend and re-enact section 90 of an act approved February 23, 1896, entitled an act to provide a new charter for the city of Roanoke, in relation to justices of the peace in said city, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 342, House bill to allow C. W. Thomas, treasurer of the city of Roanoke, further time to collect certain tax tickets in his hands, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 343, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3524 of the Code of Virginia in reference to allowance by boards of supervisors to clerks of circuit courts, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 351, House bill to incorporate the Whitlock-Hanson Pump-Dredge Company, and to define its powers and privileges, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 353, House bill regulating appointment of assessors of lands and lots in the county of Warwick, and providing compensation for same, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring) was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. TYLER moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 358, House bill to regulate hunting partridges in the county of Nelson, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 359, House bill allowing the city of Norfolk to increase the salary of the judge of the court of law and chancery of said city, and to still further increase the salary of the judge of the corporation court of said city, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 360, House bill to allow J. H. Whealton and E. B. Blackman to erect a break-water on lower or eastern side of Whealton wharf, Rappahannock river, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 362, House bill to amend and re-enact section 444 of the

Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved March 8, 1894, in relation to the correction of erroneous assessment of lands, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 363, House bill for the relief of W. C. Sanders, late treasurer of Wythe county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 365, House bill for the relief of W. H. Purkins, treasurer of Middlesex county, to give him and his former deputies powers of levy and distress to collect certain uncollected tax tickets now in their possession, and for which they accounted to the proper fiscal agents, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BLAKEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 366, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 2, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 32, chapter 1, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on license to transact business, and in paying taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, or malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, relating to sale by peddlers, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 372, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the trustees of the funds of the Protestant Episcopal church, in the diocese of Virginia, approved February 2, 1892, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MUFORD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 373, House bill to incorporate the New River Telephone Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 375, House bill to amend and re-enact section 4018 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to writs of *venire facias* in cases of felony, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 5, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 376, House bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of King William county to build, construct, and maintain a bridge over the Pamunkey river, near New Castle Ferry, between King William and Hanover counties, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 379, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Giles county to issue bonds of the county instead of county war-

rants, in settlement of a contract with Virginia Bridge and Iron Company, for the construction of a bridge at Ripplemead, Giles county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 381, House bill to allow the directors of the Ohio and Big Sandy Coal Company to change the name of said company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 382, House bill to prohibit the taking of fish in Goose creek, in the counties of Fauquier and Loudoun above Outlands, with a seine or other device except hook and line or dip-net, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FAIRFAX (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read a third time, and passed with its title.

No. 384, House bill to provide for a special fence law for the county of Lee, State of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring) was read the third time, and passed with its title.

A message was received from the Governor by his private secretary announcing that he had vetoed Senate bill 247, which was read, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS laid on table.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported with a substitute

No. 343, Senate bill to provide for the examination of the books, accounts, &c., of certain public officers and for the correction thereof.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 169, House bill to give consent of the State of Virginia to the purchase or acquisition of the government of the United States of so much land as may be necessary for a public building in the city of Portsmouth, and giving the city the power to sell the same for purpose mentioned.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 193, House bill to authorize and permit M. A. Finch to erect wharves or piers, and to construct bulkheads, in the James river along the water fronts of her lands owned by her in the city of Newport News, Virginia.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 128, Senate bill to prevent the sale of adulterated and misbranded food in the State of Virginia.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported with amendments

No. 326, Senate bill to provide for the erection of suitable buildings upon the grounds of the State penitentiary for the better care and safety of the convicts confined in said penitentiary.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 413, Senate bill to allow H. G. Chesley treasurer of the county of Stafford, Virginia, and his deputies further time to collect unpaid tax tickets now in their hands.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment No. 416, Senate bill for the relief of Frank Stringfellow.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported with amendments

No. 205, Senate bill to incorporate the Yorktown Poquoson and Hampton Railway Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 391, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act to incorporate the Danville and Riverside Railway Company, approved January 30, 1896.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 407, Senate bill to incorporate the James River Railway Company.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 298, House bill to confer upon the Atlantic and Danville Railway Company additional privileges.

Mr. LYLE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 430, A bill to amend and re-enact section 4, chapter 5 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Radford, Virginia, approved January 22, 1892; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 431, A bill to incorporate the Pennington Gap Telephone Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, (by request), presented

No. 432, A bill to regulate the sale of the bound volumes of the State reports to certain persons; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on library.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 433, A bill to incorporate the John Marshall Memorial Association; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. SHANDS, by leave, presented

No. 434, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the payment of justices of the peace, witnesses and physicians in certain cases, approved March 5, 1888; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 435, A bill to enable the Board of Supervisors of Campbell county, to compromise the indebtedness of John J. Hughes a

surety on the bond of E. S. Moorman, former treasurer of said county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring) was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 436, A bill for the relief of Martha Britzendine, widow of a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 437, A bill for the relief of Malinda Wright, widow of a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

A petition from 94 citizens of the city of Radford, in favor of Senate bill 101; which was read and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 108, House bill to provide for the recordation by clerks of the county or corporation courts of list of conveyances and partitions that may have been returned thereto by the clerk of the general court, and may now be found therein, and declaring the effect to be given said lists when so recorded, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE, was made the special and continuing order for Wednesday, February 7th, at 1 o'clock P. M.

A message from the House of Delegates by Mr. PARKS, informing the Senate that that house had passed

No. 408, Senate bill to authorize the town of Berryville to mortgage the water-works of said town for the purpose of providing additional security for the payment of the principal and interest of bonds of said town to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars, with a substitute, and requested the concurrence of the Senate.

The bill was subsequently taken up, and on motion of Mr. GOLD, the House substitute agreed to, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 134, House bill to repeal section 219 of the Code of Virginia, edition of 1887, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to recommit to the committee for courts of justice, which was agreed to.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 22, To amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, as heretofore amended, in relation to sale of delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor.

No. 265, To prohibit any person or corporation from enticing, persuading, or procuring a servant to leave his master, or from harboring any servant who has unlawfully left his service, and to provide punishment for same.

No. 319, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 23 of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, and also to amend and re-enact section 25 of the same act as amended by an act approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed.

Mr. MORRIS moved to amend title, which was agreed to.

Mr. MORRIS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 23, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, as heretofore amended, in relation to sale of delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor, being the special order of the day, the hour of 1 o'clock having arrived, was taken up, and read the second time.

Mr. MANN offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. JEFFRIES offered an amendment.

Mr. McILWAINE offered an amendment.

Mr. CLAYTOR offered an amendment.

Mr. COGBILL offered an amendment.

The bill was then freely discussed for and against.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock Monday.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Kerr.

Journal of Saturday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 3, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bill entitled an act to allow H. C. Wheatley, deputy treasurer of Culpeper county, further time in which to collect certain tax bills, No. 351; an act to incorporate the Virginia Club, No. 427.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bill entitled an act defining the duty and prescribing the liability of those operating railroads as to overhead bridges and structures, No. 40.

They have passed with amendments Senate bills entitled an act to incorporate the Imperial Union, of the city of Richmond, No. 184; an act to regulate the sale of cider in Loudoun county, No. 388.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to create a board to ascertain the true value of real estate which has been purchased by the commonwealth at tax sale where such value is less than the sum prescribed by sections 664 and 666 of the Code to be paid in redemption or purchase thereof, and to authorize the redemption or purchase thereof upon payment of a sum equal to the value so ascertained, No. 316; an act to provide for the payment out the treasury for losses sustained by destruction of property and expenses incurred to prevent the spread of small-pox from an epidemic of that disease prevalent in the Indian reservation of the Pamunkey tribe of Indians, No. 339; an act to authorize the school board of Lipps district, in Wise county, to issue bonds to the amount of \$4,000.00, to erect and equip a school building at Colburn, Wise county, No. 207; an act to prevent riotous or disorderly conduct on any car or caboose, or on any part of a train carrying passengers, or employees of any railroad or street passenger railway, No. 299; an act to authorize the taking of depositions under certain circumstances, and prescribing the manner of hearing the same, No. 314; an act to ratify, confirm and amend the charter of the Norfolk-Hampton Roads Company, No. 370; an act to make the hiding, concealing or removing of personal property by any person having possession of the same, the title or ownership of the same being in another, larceny, No. 74; and an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled "an act to extend and define the boundaries of the city of Lynchburg," approved December 19, 1870, so as to further extend the boundaries of the said city, provided it assume a just proportion of the bonded debt of Campbell county; and to provide for the ascertaining, by the circuit court of the said city or of the said county, of the amount of the bonded debt of the said county which the said city should assume, No. 412.

In which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 184, Senate bill to incorporate the Imperial Union of the city of Richmond, with House amendments, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO, referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 388, Senate bill to regulate the sale of cider in Loudoun county, with House amendments, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. FAIRFAX, placed on the calendar.

No. 316, House bill to create a board to ascertain the true value of real estate which has been purchased by the commonwealth at tax sale where such value is less than the sum prescribed by sections 664 and 666 of the Code to be paid in redemption or purchase thereof and to authorize the redemption or purchase thereof upon payment of a sum equal to the value so ascertained, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 339, House bill to provide for the payment out of the treasury for losses sustained by destruction of property and expenses incurred to prevent the spread of small-pox from an epidemic of that disease prevalent in the Indian reservation of the Pamunkey tribe of Indians, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 207, House bill to authorize the school board of Lipps district, in Wise county, to issue bonds to the amount of \$4,000.00, to erect and equip a school building at Colburn, in Wise county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 299, House bill to prevent riotous or disorderly conduct on any car or caboose or on any part of a train carrying passengers or employees of any railroad or street passenger railway, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 314, House bill to authorize the taking of depositions under certain circumstances, and prescribing the manner of hearing the same, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 370, House bill to ratify, confirm, and amend the charter of the Norfolk-Hampton Roads Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 74, House bill to make the hiding, concealing, or removing of personal property by any person having possession of the same, the title or ownership of the same being in another larceny, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 412, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to extend and define the boundaries of the city of Lynchburg, approved December 19, 1870, so as to further extend the boundaries of the said city, provided it assume a just proportion of the bonded debt of Campbell county; and to provide for the ascertainment, by the circuit court of the said city, or of the said county, of the amount of the bonded debt of the said county which the said city

should assume, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GLASS (rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 438, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 3345 and 3346 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal section 3897 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal chapter 703 of the Acts of Assembly of 1897-8, approved March 3, 1898, relating to the competency of witness; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 439, A bill to relieve C. W. Green, of Wise county, from the further payment of a fine; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 440, A bill to incorporate the Petersburg Development and Loan Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 441, A bill to amend and re-enact an act to amend an reenact section 3528 of the Code, and to repeal section 3526 of the Code, in relation to fees of attorneys for the commonwealth, approved March 3, 1896; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 360, To allow J. H. Whealton and E. B. Blackman to erect a break water on lower or eastern side of Whealton wharf, Rapahannock river.

No. 193, To authorize and permit M. A. Finch to erect wharves, or piers, and to construct bulkheads in the James river along the water fronts of her lands owned by her in the city of Newport News, Virginia.

No. 298, House bill to confer upon the Atlantic and Danville Railway Company additional powers and privileges, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

Mr. MAYNARD moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected, and on his further motion, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

A petition of citizens of Petersburg, which was read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 433, To incorporate the John Marshall Memorial Association.

No. 413, To allow H. G. Chesley, treasurer of the county of Stafford, Virginia, and his deputies further time to collect unpaid tax tickets now in their hands.

No. 416, For the relief of Frank Stringfellow.

No. 391, To amend and re-enact an act to incorporate the Danville and Riverside Railway Company, approved January 30, 1896.

No. 407, To incorporate the James River Railway Company.

No. 128, Senate bill to prevent the sale of adulterated and unbranded food in the State of Virginia, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 326, Senate bill to provide for the erection of suitable buildings upon the grounds of the State penitentiary for the better care and safety of the convicts confined in said penitentiary, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 343, Senate bill to provide for the examination of the books, accounts, &c., of certain public officers, and for the correction thereof, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. GLASS, was passed by and made the special and continuing order for Monday, February 12, at 1 o'clock P. M.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to have the committee substitute printed.

Which was agreed to.

No. 275, Senate bill to incorporate the Yorktown, Poquoson, and Hampton Railway Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 23, Senate bill to amend section 666 of the Code, in relation to delinquent lands.

No. 40, Senate bill to amend section 664 of the Code, in relation to delinquent lands, being the special order of the day, the hour of 1 P. M. having arrived, on motion of Mr. MORRIS, passed by until to-morrow at 1 P. M.

No. 5, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3166 of the Code, in relation to trial by jury, being the special order of the day, the hour of 1 P. M. having arrived, on motion of Mr. WICKHAM, was passed by until to-morrow at 1 P. M.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY, 6, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Kerr.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, February, 5, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to prohibit telegraph companies operating in the State of Virginia from contracting against their own negligence, No. 242; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Nottoway county to remit the amount due said county by Herman Jackson, its late clerk, No. 309; an act to enable the board of supervisors of Clarke county to borrow money and issue bonds therefor, No. 315; an act to authorize and empower the New York, Philadelphia, and Norfolk railroad company to consolidate and merge with any other railroad company or companies, and to lease or purchase and operate any railroad, and also to purchase, own, sell, and dispose of the stocks, bonds, or other securities of railroad companies, No. 345; an act to give give county courts jurisdiction upon *scire facias* or motion to revive judgments of justices of the peace, No. 346; and an act to authorize the board of directors of the Norfolk and Western railway company to locate and construct or purchase certain branches, No. 380.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to confer upon the Atlantic and Danville railway company additional powers and privileges, No. 298.

They have passed with amendments Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 457 of the Code of Virginia as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 457 of the Code relative to what real estate exempt from taxation, approved January 28, 1896, in relation to what real estate may be exempt from taxation, No. 375; an act to incorporate the Jamestown, Williamsburg, and Yorktown railroad company, No. 98; and an act to protect purchaser for valuable consideration without notice against liens of the Mutual Assurance Society against fire on buildings in the State of Virginia, until such liens are filed in the clerk's office, No. 348.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 645 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the treasurer's report of the sale of delinquent lands, No. 319; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Southampton and Isle of Wight counties to have the lands of all persons in said counties, or in se-

lected portions thereof, or of individuals who may request it, processioned, No. 346; an act to amend and re-enact paragraph 96 of schedule F of chapter 1 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixtures thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, as amended by an act approved February 24, 1894, and as amended by an act approved January 16, 1896, as far as the same relates to photographers' licenses, No. 364; an act to amend and re-enact section 1079 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to proceedings of court upon report of commissioners to ascertain compensation of land owners for property sought to be acquired by condemnation, No. 369; an act to incorporate the Newport News Trust and Safe Deposit Company, No. 371; an act to amend and re-enact section 1759 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the practice of pharmacy as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 2, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1759 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the practice of pharmacy, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1894, No. 385; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Rockbridge county to fix the compensation of the overseer of the poor of Lexington magisterial district, in the said county, No. 386; an act to prohibit the killing of fish in Clinch river in the county of Scott, with dynamite or other explosive and to prescribe a punishment therefor, No. 387; an act to approve, ratify, and confirm the charter of the Peace and Light Society of King George county, Virginia, No. 388; an act to provide elections on the question of prohibiting hogs from running at large upon the public roads or streets in the county of Montgomery, No. 389; an act to provide for the issuing of bonds by Montgomery county to macadamize the road from Christiansburg to Blacksburg, No. 390; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Alleghany county to apply any money arising from the county levy to the payment of outstanding unpaid county road warrants heretofore issued by said board, and to authorize said board of supervisors to allow Joseph T. Fudge, county treasurer of said county, in his settlement with said board, credit on any funds in his hands, arising from county levy as such treasurer, for the amount overpaid by him on county road warrants which have been issued by said board in excess of the road levy, No. 393; an act to repeal an act entitled an act directing that the board of supervisors of Alleghany county shall apply the road fund in the several districts to the district from which the same is realized, approved March 3, 1898, No. 394; an act to amend and re-enact section 3760 of the Code of 1887, in relation to compounding offenses, No. 409; an act for the relief of Kretol Chemical

Company, No. 410; an act to amend and re-enact section 447 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 18, 1890, relating to the manner in which taxes shall be extended, No. 413; an act to amend chapter 128, Acts of 1897 and 1898, entitled an act for the protection of partridges in the county of Roanoke, No. 414; an act to amend and re-enact chapter 847, Acts 1895-'96, amending chapter 192, Acts 1895-'96, entitled an act for the protection of game in Roanoke county, No. 415; an act to give George M. Muse, treasurer of Roanoke county and his deputies further time in which to collect uncollected tax tickets in his hands, No. 416; an act to amend and re-enact sections 9 and 11 of an act of the General Assembly entitled an act to provide a charter for the city of Winchester, approved April 2, 1874, as amended in the eleventh section thereof by an act approved February 26, 1896, No. 417; an act to incorporate the Loyal Knights of the college of William and Mary, No. 418; an act to vest the absolute fee simple title to certain church property in the county of Russell, known as Willis Chapel, in trustees of the M. E. Church, South, and their successors in office, No. 419; an act to authorize the Manassas district school board, of Prince William county, to receive donations of books and funds for a public library, and to provide suitable room and conveniences for same, No. 420; an act to amend and re-enact sections 2 and 15 and to repeal section 11 of an act entitled an act to create Fairmount district, in Fairfield magisterial district, in the county of Henrico, etc., approved fifteenth of January 1900, No. 421; and an act for the relief of R. K. Gillespie, late treasurer of Tazewell county, and his sureties, No. 422.

In which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 98, Senate bill to incorporate the Jamestown, Williamsburg, and Yorktown Railroad Company with House amendments.

Mr. TYLER moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 348, Senate bill to protect purchaser for valuable consideration without notice against liens of the Mutual Assurance Society, against fire on buildings in the State of Virginia, until such liens are filed in the clerk's office, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE, the House amendments were agreed to.

No. 319, House bill to amend and re-enact section 645 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the treasurer's report of the sale of delinquent lands, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 346, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Southampton county to have lands of all persons in said county, or in select portions thereof, or of individuals who may request it, processioned, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 364, House bill to amend and re-enact paragraph 96 of schedule F of chapter 1 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled

an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, as amended by an act approved February 24, 1894, and as amended by an act approved January 16, 1896, as far as the same relates to photographers' licenses, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 369, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1079 of the Code of Virginia in relation to proceedings of court upon report of commissioners to ascertain compensation of land owners for property sought to be acquired by condemnation, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 371, House bill to incorporate the Newport News Trust and Safe Deposit Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 385, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1759 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the practice of pharmacy as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 2, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1759 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the practice of pharmacy, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1894, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 386, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Rockbridge county to fix the compensation of the overseer of the poor of Lexington magisterial district, in the said county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. OPIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 387, House bill to prohibit the killing of fish in Clinch river in the county of Scott, with dynamite or other explosive and to prescribe a punishment therefor, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 388, House bill to approve, ratify, and confirm the charter of the Peace and Light Society of King George county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 389, House bill to provide elections on the question of prohibiting hogs from running at large upon the public roads or streets in the county of Montgomery, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 390, House bill to provide for the issuing of bonds by Montgomery county to macadamize the road from Christiansburg to Blacksburg, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 393, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of

Alleghany county to apply any money arising from the county levy to the payment of outstanding unpaid county road warrants heretofore issued by said boards, and to authorize said boards of supervisors to allow Joseph T. Fudge, county treasurer of said county, in his settlement with said board, credit on any fund in his hands, arising from county levy as such treasurer, for the amount overpaid by him on county road warrants which have been issued by said board in excess of the road levy, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 394, House bill to repeal an act entitled an act directing that the board of supervisors of Alleghany county shall apply the road fund in the several districts to the district from which the same is realized, approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 409, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3760 of the Code of 1887, in relation to compounding offenses, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 410, House bill for the relief of Kretol Chemical Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 413, House bill to amend and re-enact section 447 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 18, 1890, relating to the manner in which taxes shall be extended, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. COBBILL (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 414, House bill to amend chapter 128, Acts of 1897 and 1898, entitled an act for the protection of partridges in the county of Roanoke, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 415, House bill to amend and re-enact chapter 847 Acts 1895-'96, amending chapter 192, Acts 1895-'96, entitled an act for the protection of game in Roanoke county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 416, House bill to give Geo. M. Muse, treasurer of Roanoke county, and his deputies, further time in which to collect uncollected tax tickets in his hands, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LYLE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 417, House bill to amend and re-enact section 9 and section 11 of an act of the General Assembly, entitled an act to provide a charter for the city of Winchester, approved April 2, 1874, as amended in the eleventh section thereof by an act approved February 26, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 418, House bill to incorporate the Loyal Knights of the

college of William and Mary, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 419, House bill to vest the absolute fee simple title to certain church property in the county of Russell, known as Willis Chapel, in trustees of the M. E. Church, South, and their successors in office, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 420, House bill to authorize the Manassas district school board, of Prince William county, to receive donations of books and funds for a public library, and to provide suitable room and conveniences for same, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 421, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 2 and 15 and to repeal section 11 of an act entitled an act to create Fairmount district, in Fairfield magisterial district, in the county of Henrico, etc., approved fifteenth of January 1900, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 422, House bill for the relief of R. K. Gillespie, late treasurer of Tazewell county, and his sureties, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. OPIE from the committee on county, city and town, reported without amendment

No. 271, Senate bill to provide for the indexing of deeds and other records in Wise, Dickenson, and Buchanan counties.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 62, House bill to provide for the working and keeping in repair, opening and discontinuing the public roads in the county of Brunswick, and for the building and keeping in repair the bridges in the said county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 296, House bill to amend and re-enact section 962 of chapter 43 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to who shall pay the expense of repairs and keeping in order public roads, where the said roads cross mill dams.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 312, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Elizabeth City county to borrow money by the issue of bonds, to pay off indebtedness incurred on account of expenditures for small-pox, and improvements to public roads of said county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 236, House bill to amend and re-enact section 103 of chapter 533 of Acts of General Assembly of Virginia of 1895-'96, entitled an act to provide a new charter for the city of Roanoke.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 345, House bill to provide for a road law for Stafford county. He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 311, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Elizabeth City county to let the repairs and improvements to the county roads of the said county by contract.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 383, House bill to protect wooden bridges in the county of Rockbridge, from fire by steam engines passing over the same.

And he, from the same committee, reported without an amendment

No. 211, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 7, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Ridgeway in the county of Henry.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 363, House bill for the relief of W. C. Sanders, late treasurer of Wythe county.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 406, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of chapter 633 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, session 1893-'94, entitled an act imposing a tax on building and loan associations, approved March 5, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 8, 1898.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave, presented

No. 442, A bill to charge the interests of remainder men and tenants in reversion with taxes, levies and assessments charged against tenants for life; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 443, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Nottoway county to increase the salary of the county judge, approved March 8, 1894; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 444, A bill entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick and Lunenburg Railroad Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. LE CATO, by leave, presented

No. 445, A bill to provide for the appointment of Game Wardens in the counties of Accomac and Northampton; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

Mr. LE CATO, by leave, presented

No. 446, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to protect wild water fowl and other game in the coun-

ties of Accomac and Northampton, approved March 5, 1894, as amended by, &c.; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 447, A bill to repeal an act entitled an act for the creation of a corporation to be known as the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company, by the consolidation with the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railway Company and the Portsmouth Pigs Point and Newport News Railway Ferry and Hotel Company, and to define its powers, approved January 17, 1900; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 448, A bill to authorize the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company and the Portsmouth Pigs Point and Newport News Railway Ferry and Hotel Company into a corporation to be known as the Norfolk Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company and to define its powers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 449, A bill to empower the Norfolk Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company when formed by the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company and the Portsmouth Pigs Point and Newport News Railway Ferry and Hotel Company to acquire leasehold or other estate in the Norfolk county ferries; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 267, To authorize the county school board of Chesterfield county to pay the treasurer for disbursing school fund.

No. 433, To incorporate the John Marshall Memorial Association.

No. 128, To prevent the sale of adulterated and unbranded food in the State of Virginia.

No. 413, To allow H. G. Chesley, treasurer of the county of Stafford, Virginia, and his deputies further time to collect unpaid tax tickets now in their hands.

No. 416. Senate bill for the relief of Frank Stringfellow, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 26; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Foster, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—26.

NOES—None.

No. 326, Senate bill to provide for the erection of suitable buildings upon the grounds of the State penitentiary for the better care and safety of the convicts confined in said penitentiary, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment, which was rejected, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 28; noes, 4.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—28.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Opie and Whitehead—4.

Mr. MORRIS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 23, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the sale of delinquent lands purchased by the commonwealth, was taken up, being the special order of the day, the hour of 1 o'clock having arrived, the amendments of Mr. MANN to committee substitute, were agreed to.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendments were agreed to, which was agreed to. The question recurring on the amendments proposed by Mr. MANN, they were rejected by the following vote—ayes, 13; noes, 17.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Dinwiddie, Foster, Hartley, James, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Opie, Sands, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—13.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Fairfax, Glass, Gold, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Shands, Tyler, Walker and Wickham—17.

Mr. COGBILL offered an amendment, which was rejected.

Mr. CLAYTOR offered the following amendment:

“Strike out on page 5 beginning with line 86 of printed bill after the word ‘purchased’ the following, provided such penalty shall not be less than two dollars nor more than ten dollars”, which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 12; noes, 17.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Dinwiddie, James, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Opie, Sands, Shands, Wallace and Whitehead—12.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Morris, Munford, Tyler, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—17.

Mr. MUNFORD offered an amendment.

Mr. JAMES offered a substitute to Mr. MUNFORD's amendment, which was rejected,

Mr. MUNFORD's amendment was also rejected.

Mr. McILWAINE offered the following amendment:

"Senate bill 23, page 3, line 40 and seq., strike out the words 'at least ten per centum of,' which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 15; noes, 17.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, James, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Opie, Sands, Wallace and Whitehead—15.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Morris, Munford, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—17.

Mr. GLASS moved to reconsider the vote by which Mr. MANN's amendments were rejected.

Mr. OPIE moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1900.

Lieut.-Governor EDWARDS ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Kerr.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 6, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 15, 1894, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as notaries, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 13, 1896,

entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as notaries, approved February 15, 1894, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as school trustees, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 164 of the Code of Virginia, approved February 23, 1898, so as to allow fourth-class postmasters to act as justices, No. 116; an act to authorize and empower chancery courts to confirm sales of land when the purchase price is not sufficient to pay off the liens of taxes, levies, and assessments returned delinquent, and apportion the proceeds between state, counties, and corporations, and to make valid and firm any sales heretofore made, No. 191; an act to amend and re-enact sections 3 and 6 of an act to incorporate the town of Coeburn, in Wise county, approved February 23, 1894, No. 386; an act to prescribe the weight of a barrel of apples and the size of barrels used for packing and shipping the same, No. 157.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact sub-section first of section 184, concerning the salary of members and officers of the General Assembly, No. 318; an act to amend and re-enact section 72 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 72 of the Code of Virginia with reference to how vacancies in electoral boards to be filled in certain cases by the court, approved March 3, 1898, No. 328; an act to amend and re-enact section 3804 of the Code, in relation to sale of intoxicating liquors, &c., how punished, No. 332; an act to repeal an act entitled an act to empower and instruct the board of sinking fund commissioners to sell the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company and to invest the proceeds of sale in century bonds and to repeal the act approved March 19, 1873, entitled an act directing the board of public works to sell the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, approved March 3, 1894, No. 357; an act to amend and re-enact an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 7, 1894, which amended and re-enacted section 106 of an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 6, 1890, in relation to license to be paid by persons keeping livery stable, No. 361; an act to allow John S. Swift further time within which to distrain and levy and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State, No. 395; an act to amend and re-enact sections 1660 to 1712, inclusive, of the Code of Virginia, in relation to State hospitals for the insane, and the commitment of insane persons, No. 396; an act to provide for the purchase of toll roads or turnpikes in certain magisterial districts, No. 423; an act to incorporate the town of Stanley, in Page county, Virginia, No. 424; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Smyth county

to issue bonds, &c., No. 425; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Orange county to aid in the erection of a monument to the Confederate dead of said county, No. 426; and an act to amend sections 13, 17, and 18 of the charter of the town of Suffolk, No. 427.

In which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 318, House bill to amend and re-enact sub-section first of section 184, concerning the salary of members and officers of the General Assembly, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 328, House bill to amend and re-enact section 72 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 72 of the Code of Virginia with reference to how vacancies in electoral boards to be filled in certain cases by the court, approved March 3rd, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on privileges and election.

No. 332, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3804 of the Code, in relation to sale of intoxicating liquors, &c.; how punished, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 357, House bill to repeal an act entitled an act to empower and instruct the board of sinking fund commissioners to sell the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company and to invest the proceeds of sale in century bonds and to repeal the act approved March 19, 1873, entitled an act directing the board of public works to sell the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, approved March 3, 1894, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 361, House bill to amend and re-enact an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 7, 1894, which amended and re-enacted section 106 of an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 6, 1890, in relation to license to be paid by persons keeping livery stables, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 395, House bill to allow John S. Swift further time within which to distrain and levy and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 396, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1660 to 1712, inclusive, of the Code of Virginia, in relation to State hospitals for the insane and the commitment of insane persons, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 423, House bill to provide for the purchase of toll roads or

turnpikes in certain magisterial districts, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 424, House bill to incorporate the town of Stanley, in Page county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GOLD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 425, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Smythe county to issue bonds, &c., was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 426, House bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Orange county to aid in the erection of a monument to the Confederate dead of said county, on the court house square, by contributing thereto a sum not exceeding six hundred (\$600.00) dollars, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 427, House bill to amend sections 13, 17, and 18 of the charter of the town of Suffolk, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SHANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

The following communication was received from the Secretary of the commonwealth:

RICHMOND, VA., *February 7th, 1900.*

To the Honorable, the Clerk of the Senate:

SIR: I have the honor to communicate that at the special election held the first day of February, 1900, Hon. A. Nash Johnston was elected to represent the Seventh Senatorial District of Virginia, composed of the counties of Rockbridge, Alleghany, Botetourt, Bath and Highland and the city of Buena Vista, as will appear by the certified statement of votes on file in this office, for the unexpired term of Hon. Chas. E. McCorkle, deceased.

Very respectfully,

J. T. LAWLESS,

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Mr. A. NASH JOHNSTON came forward and the clerk administered the oath prescribed by law.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported with amendments

No. 172, Senate bill to incorporate Hampton Roads Railway and Electric Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 447, Senate bill to repeal an act entitled an act for the cre-

ation of a corporation to be known as the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company by the consolidation with the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company, and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, and to define its powers, approved January 17, 1900.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 448, Senate bill to authorize the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company into a corporation to be known as the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company and to define its powers.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 449, Senate bill to empower the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company, when formed by the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, to acquire leasehold or other estate in the Norfolk county ferries.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported with an amendment

No. 431, Senate bill to incorporate the Pennington Gap Telephone Company.

He, from the same committee, reported with recommendation that it do not pass

No. 244, Senate bill to regulate the employment of children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments.

And he, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 354, House bill to ratify and confirm the charter of the Lumberman's Marine Insurance Company.

Mr. CLAYTON presented the following resolution:

Resolved, By the Senate (the House of Delegates concurring), that they proceed to the election of circuit judge for the 18th judicial circuit, at 12:30 o'clock to-day, which was agreed to, and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. MURRELL informing the Senate that the House had agreed to Senate joint resolution, which has for its object the election of a circuit judge for the 18th judicial circuit, at 12:30 this day.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 450, A bill to amend and re-enact section 12 chapter 6 of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Danville, approved February 17, 1890, and to amend and re-enact section 1 chapter 8 of said act, and to amend and re-enact by an act, approved December 18, 1897," and entitled an act to amend section 1 chapter 8 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of

Danville, approved February 17, 1890; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 451, A bill to provide for the relief of Thornton F. Jones from the payment of certain taxes, to the county of Elizabeth City and the State of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. FOSTER, by leave, presented

No. 452, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2475 of the Code of Virginia with reference to lien for work done and material furnished by artisans, mechanics, lumber dealers, and others as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 16, 1896; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 453, A bill to incorporate the Harbor Ferry Company, of Norfolk, Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 454, A bill providing for the reprinting and binding of three hundred (300) complete sets of the reports of the court of appeals; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on library.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 455, A bill to incorporate the Christianburg Industrial Institute of Cambria, Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 456, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2614 of the Code of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 457, A bill for the relief of Charles P. Ross, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 458, A bill to amend section 2564 of the Code of Virginia in relation to sale of lands, when partition cannot be made; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 459, A bill for the relief of William H. Brower, Treasurer of Henrico county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. WHITEHEAD, by leave (by request), presented

No. 460, A bill to amend and re-enact section 4 of an act entitled an act to impose a tax on collateral inheritances and regulate the collection of the same, approved February 14, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 28, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 461, A bill to amend and re-enact section 28 as heretofore amended, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, in relation to merchants licenses, and tax on capital stock of corporations doing the business of a merchant; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 462, A bill for the purpose of giving jurisdiction to the circuit or corporation courts of the city of Lynchburg or the respective judges thereof in vacation, power to give effect to the action of the congregation of Fifth Avenue church (independent), Lynchburg, Virginia, in regard to its church property; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 463, A bill to amend and re-enact section 709 of the Code of Virginia of 1887, in relation to compensation of agents; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 464, A bill for the relief of J. W. Dalton, of Henry county, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 465, To provide for the appointment of a chaplain at the State penitentiary and to provide for the salary of such chaplain; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. FLOOD presented the following :

Resolved, That Senator A. NASH JOHNSON be, and he is hereby elected, a member of the committee on general laws, roads and internal navigation, public institutions, the position held on said committees by the late Senator McCORKLE.

Which was agreed to.

No. 381, Senate bill to allow the directors of the Ohio and Big Sandy Coal Company to change the name of said company.

Mr. MORRIS moved that the committee on general laws be discharged from further consideration of the bill.

Which was agreed to.

No. 410, House bill for the relief of the Kretol Chemical Company.

Mr. LUPTON moved that the committee on general laws be discharged from further consideration of the bill.

Which was agreed to.

No. 169, House bill to give consent of the State of Virginia to the purchase or requisition of the government of the United States of so much land as may be necessary for a public building in the city of Portsmouth, and giving the city the power to sell the same for purpose mentioned, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 33; noes, 0.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, LeCato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Sands, Shanda, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—33.

NOES—None.

No. 383, House bill to protect wooden bridges in the county of Rockbridge from fire by steam engines passing over the same, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 311, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Elizabeth City county to let the repairs and improvements to the county roads of the said county by contract, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 312, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Elizabeth City county to borrow money by the issue of bonds, to pay off indebtedness incurred on account of expenditures for small-pox, and improvements to public roads of said county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 62, House bill to provide for the working and keeping in repair, opening and discontinuing the public roads in the county of Brunswick, and for the building and keeping in repair the bridges in the said county, was taken, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 363, House bill for the relief of W. C. Sanders, late treasurer of Wythe county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

The hour twelve thirty having arrived a message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. MURRELL, who informed the Senate that that House was ready on its part to proceed to the execution of the joint order of the day, which has for its object the election of a circuit judge for the eighteenth judicial circuit.

On motion of Mr. CLAYTOR he was ordered to inform the House that the Senate was ready on its part to execute the joint order of the day.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. GOAD, who informed the Senate that the only name before that House for judge of the eighteenth judicial circuit was that of John Randolph Tucker.

On motion of Mr. CLAYTOR, he was ordered to inform the House that the only name before the Senate was that of John Randolph Tucker.

The roll was called with the following result—ayes, 32, noes, 0.

Senators who voted for J. R. TUCKER are—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—32.

The chair appointed Messrs. CLAYTOR and WHITEHEAD a committee on the part of the Senate to meet a similar committee on the part of the House and count the joint vote.

Mr. CLAYTOR, from the committee reported as follows :

Whole number of votes cast,	-	-	99
Necessary to a choice,	-	-	50
Of which J. R. Tucker received,	-	-	99

J. R. Tucker having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected circuit judge of the eighteenth judicial circuit for the legal term of that office.

No. 108, House bill to provide for recordation by clerks of courts of conveyances, &c., being the special order of the day, the hour 12:45 having arrived, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS, passed by and the substitute ordered printed and made a special and continuing order for Friday, February 9, at 12:45.

A message was received from the Governor by his private secretary, in relation to the appointment as commissioner of labor statistics.

No. 23, Senate bill to amend section 666 of the Code, in relation to delinquent lands, being the special order of the day, was taken up.

Mr. MANN offered an amendment, which was rejected, by the following vote—ayes, 16; noes, 17.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Dinwiddie, Foster, Glass, James, Johnson, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Opie, Sands, Steele, Watkins and Whitehead—16.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Eggleston, Fairfax, Gold, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Morris, Munford, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—17.

Mr. JEFFRIES offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. SANDS offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. COGBILL offered amendments, which were rejected.

Mr. LYLE offered the following amendment :

In line 24 after the word “owner” insert the words “tenant or tenants” which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 7; noes, 22.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Dinwiddie, James, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Wallace and Whitehead—7.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—22.

Mr. MUNFORD moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment offered by Mr. COGBILL was rejected which was as follows :

Amend by striking out of the 21st line, page 2, the following words, “as shown by the records of the clerk’s office of the court of the county or corporation in which it is situated,” which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 17; noes, 15.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, James, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—17.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Eggleston, Fairfax, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Maynard, Morris, Tyler, Walker and Wickham—15.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD, the Senate resolved itself into executive session; and having dispatched the business before them, the doors were opened and the following resolution adopted in executive session (the injunction of secrecy being removed) was ordered to be spread on the journal of the Senate and a copy thereof be forwarded to the Governor :

Resolved, That the Senate advise and confirm the following nomination as commissioner of labor statistics, James B. Doherty.

No. 53, Senate bill concerning introduction of evidence in actions of ejectment.

Mr. BRUCE moved to recommit the bill to the committee for courts of justice, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McILWAINE, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1900.

Lieut.--Governor EDW. ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Kerr.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 7, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act for the relief of the personal representative and estate of William M. Flanagan, No. 270; an act for the relief of George B. Keezell, Pembroke Pettit, and John A. Curtis, No. 297; an act to incorporate the Russell Fork and Eastern Railroad Company, No. 321; an act for the relief of R. B. Seay, late treasurer of Lunenburg county, and his deputies, No. 324; an act to empower the board of supervisors of Wise county to settle by compromise or otherwise delinquent county and district taxes charged against the Fayette Land Company and successors in interest, No. 409; an act to enable the board of supervisors of Campbell county to compromise the indebtedness of John J. Hughes, a surety on the bond of E. S. Moorman, former treasurer of Campbell county, No. 435; and an act to allow H. G. Chesley, treasurer of the county of Stafford, Virginia, and his deputies further time to collect unpaid tax tickets now in their hands, No. 413.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to incorporate Citizens Railway Light and Power Company, No. 300.

They have passed with amendments Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act to amend and re-enact section 3319 of chapter 163, Code of Virginia, in chancery, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 4, 1890, and by an act approved February 24, 1892, and by an act approved January 29, 1894, and by an act approved February 27, 1894, approved February 12, 1898, No. 301; and an act for the relief of estate of D. B. Long from certain delinquent taxes, No. 353.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to allow Edward O. Gladstone, late deputy treasurer of Northampton county, further time in which to collect certain tax tickets in his hands not returned delinquent, No. 437; an act to allow J. B. Wise, treasurer of Northampton county, further time in which to collect certain tax tickets in his hands not returned delinquent, No. 438; an act to legalize primary elections and conventions in the county of Prince William, No. 439; and an act to allow the voters of Union Hall magisterial district, in Franklin county, to vote upon the question of the no-fence law and to fix the rights of all parties concerned should it be adopted, No. 377.

In which amendments and bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 301, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3319 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved February 12, 1898, in relation to the appointment of commissioners in chancery, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. LUPTON moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 437, House bill to allow Edward O. Gladstone, late deputy treasurer of Northampton county, further time in which to collect certain tax tickets in his hands not returned delinquent, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CARO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 438, House bill to allow J. B. Wise, treasurer of Northampton county, further time in which to collect certain tax tickets in his hands not returned delinquent, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CARO (the rules being suspended therefor) was placed on the calendar.

No. 439, House bill to legalize primary elections and conventions in the county of Prince William, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 377, House bill to allow the voters of Union Hall magisterial district, in Franklin county, to vote upon the question of no-fence law and to fix the rights of all parties concerned should it be adopted, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DINWIDDIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. FAIRFAX from the committee on finance and banks, reported with amendments

No. 141, House bill to amend and re-enact section 8, as amended by an act approved February 14, 1898, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the

mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 143, House bill to amend and re-enact the second sub-division of section 833 of the Code of Virginia, so as to provide for the assessment of capital used or employed in the mercantile business, for local taxation.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 342, House bill to allow C. W. Thomas, treasurer of the city of Roanoke, further time to collect certain tax tickets in his hands.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 366, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 2, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 32, chapter 1, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on license to transact business, and in paying taxes thereon, for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, or malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, relating to sale by peddlers.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 335, House bill to extend the time in which the securities of C. H. English, late treasurer of Henry county may settle with the auditor of public accounts under provisions of an act approved March 3, 1898.

And he, from the same committee, reported with a substitute

No. 426, Senate bill to authorize the heirs at law of Louisa Snowden to pay certain taxes and levies on a tract of land in Fairfax county in satisfaction and discharge of all taxes and levies assessed and charged against it.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and town, reported without amendment

No. 225, House bill to fix the salary of the board of supervisors of Fauquier county.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported with an amendment

No. 160, House bill to change the name of the Elizabeth Night Ferry Company to the Elizabeth River Ferry Company, and to amend and re-enact sections 1, 2, and 3 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Elizabeth Night Ferry Company, approved January 15, 1897.

Mr. LE CATO, from the committee on fish and game, reported with amendments

No. 292, Senate bill to allow lessees of fifty or more contiguous acres of planting ground to dredge or scrape the same under cer-

tain conditions, and to impose a penalty for dredging or scraping planting grounds except as provided for in this act.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 140, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to prevent shooting or killing of game at night in the counties of Charles City, Prince George, Henrico and James City.

He, from the same committee, reported the following committee bill

No. 466, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 11 of an act entitled an act to create the board of fisheries, define its duties, and fix the salaries of its members, approved February 7, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported the following committee bill

No. 478, Senate bill to authorize the board of fisheries, under certain conditions, to compensate out of oyster fund certain planters for loss of oysters.

And he, from the same committee, reported the following committee bill

No. 467, Senate bill to provide that planters to whom natural oyster rocks have been assigned through mistake shall have a reasonable time to remove their planted oysters therefrom, &c.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 468, Joint resolution providing for a codification of the oyster and fish laws now in force.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 469, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the Iron Belt Building and Loan Association of Roanoke, Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 470, A bill to incorporate the Westminister School of Richmond, Virginia; which, on motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. CLAYTON by leave, presented

No. 471, A bill for the relief of Frances Thomas from taxes assessed upon real estate in the name of P. F. Thomas' estate in the county of Bedford; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WALLACE, by leave, presented

No. 472, A bill to incorporate the Sulphur Mining and Railroad Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be

read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 473, A bill to validate acknowledgements to deeds, leases, and contracts taken by certain commissioners of the county courts of Scott, Lee, Wise, Dickenson and Buchanan counties; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 474, A bill for the relief of John H. Roberson of Wise county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave (by request), presented

No. 475, A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Albemarle county and the council of the city of Charlottesville to contribute to the erection of a Confederate monument, and to levy a special tax for the purpose; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 476, A bill to appropriate certain funds to the endowment of The Christiansburg Industrial Institute of Cambria, Virginia, for the purpose of educating teachers for the colored race; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 477, A bill for the relief of W. W. Wood; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 479, A bill for the relief of J. W. Eley, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 480, A bill to refund Geo. W. Blick certain delinquent taxes paid by him; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 388, Senate bill to regulate the sale of cider in Loudoun county, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. FAIRFAX moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

The following House bills, were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles.

No. 386, To authorize the board of supervisors of Rockbridge

county to fix the compensation of the overseer of the poor of Lexington magisterial district, in the said county.

No. 416, To give Geo. M. Muse, treasurer of Roanoke county, and his deputies, further time in which to collect uncollected tax tickets in his hands.

No. 415, To amend and re-enact chapter 847, Acts 1895-'96, amending chapter 192, Acts 1895-'96, entitled an act for the protection of game in Roanoke county.

No. 414, To amend chapter 128, Acts of 1897 and 1898, entitled an act for the protection of partridges in the county of Roanoke.

No. 419, To vest the absolute fee simple title to certain church property in the county of Russell, known as Willis Chapel, in trustees of the M. E. Church, South, and their successors in office.

No. 420, To authorize the Manassas district school board, of Prince William county, to receive donations of books and funds for a public library, and to provide suitable rooms and conveniences for same.

No. 387, To prohibit the killing of fish in Clinch river in the county of Scott, with dynamite or other explosive and to prescribe a punishment therefor.

No. 211, To amend and re-enact an act approved February 7, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Ridgeway, in the county of Henry.

No. 427, To amend sections 13, 17, and 18 of the charter of the town of Suffolk.

No. 426, To authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Orange county to aid in the erection of a monument to the Confederate dead of said county, on the court house square, by contributing thereto a sum not exceeding six hundred (\$600.00) dollars.

No. 410, For the relief of Kretol Chemical Company.

No. 381, To allow the directors of the Ohio and Big Sandy Coal Company to change the name of said company.

No. 421, To amend and re-enact sections 2 and 15 and to repeal section 11 of an act entitled an act to create Fairmount district, in Fairfield magisterial district, in the county of Henrico, etc., approved fifteenth of January, 1900.

No. 422, For the relief of R. K. Gillespie, late treasurer of Tazewell county, and his sureties.

No. 236, House bill to amend and re-enact section 103 of chapter 533 of acts of General Assembly of Virginia of 1895-6, entitled an act to provide a new charter for the city of Roanoke, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to commit the bill to the committee for courts of justice, which was agreed to.

No. 354, House bill to ratify and confirm the charter of the Lumbermen's Marine Insurance Company, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to reconsider the vote which was rejected.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 275, To incorporate the Yorktown, Poquoson, and Hampton Railway Company.

No. 391, To amend and re-enact an act to incorporate the Danville and Riverside Railway Company, approved January 30, 1896.

No. 407, To incorporate the James River Railway Company.

No. 222, Senate bill requiring parties suing out attachments or garnishee process to give bond, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to recommit the bill to the committee for courts of justice, which was agreed to.

No. 229, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3089 of the Code of Virginia, and section 3090 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 18, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 112, 633, 674, 2533, 3045, 3053, 3090, 3091, 3455, 3492, 4048, and 4049 of an act entitled an act to revise and arrange and consolidate into a code the general statutes of the commonwealth, approved May 16, 1897, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. LYLE offered an amendment, which was rejected.

Mr. DINWIDDIE offered an amendment, which was rejected.

Ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 362, Senate bill to authorize the enlargement of the corporate limits of the city of Staunton when approved by vote of the people affected and providing for the taking of such vote, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 353, Senate bill for the relief of estate of D. B. Long from certain delinquent taxes, with House amendments was taken up.

Mr. JEFFRIES moved to refuse to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 23, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, as heretofore amended, in relation to sale of delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor, being the special and continuing order for the day, the hour of 1 o'clock having arrived, was taken up; the following amendment offered by Mr. COGBILL "amend by striking out of the 21st line, page 2, the following words, 'as shown by the records of the clerk's office of the court of the county or corporation in which it is situated,'" which was rejected.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD the vote was recorded as follows—ayes, 14; noes, 17.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Johnson, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Munford, Opie, Sands, Steele, Wallace and Whitehead—14.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Eggleston, Fairfax, Foster, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Morris, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—17.

Mr. LUPTON announced he was paired with Mr. COGBILL, if he were present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. JEFFRIES offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. JAMES moved to reconsider the vote by which Mr. MUNFORD's amendment was rejected.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. JAMES offered the following amendment "in line 87, page 5, strike out 'ten' and insert 'five,'" which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 21; noes, 10.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Munford, Opie, Sands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—21.

NOES.—Messrs. Fairfax, Foster, Gold, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Morris, Shands, Tyler and Watkins—10.

Mr. MCILWAINE offered the following amendment "strike out the word two and insert one" which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 17; noes, 16.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, James, Johnson, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Wallace and Whitehead—17.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Fairfax, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Morris, Munford, Tyler, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—16.

Mr. BRUCE offered the following amendment "in line 67, page 4, after the word 'shall' insert the following, 'be published in a newspaper having a regular publication and shall;'" which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 15; noes, 17.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Johnson, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace and Whitehead—15.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Eggleston, Fairfax, Foster, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Morris, Munford, Sands, Tyler, Watkins and Wickham—17.

Mr. MUNFORD offered an amendment which was agreed to.

Mr. TYLER offered the following amendment "in line 87, page 5, strike out the words 'nor more than five dollars,'" which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 18; noes, 12.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Fairfax, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Maynard, Morris, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Watkins and Wickham—18.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Munford, Steele, Walker, Wallace and Whitehead—12.

Mr. MUNFORD offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. BARKSDALE called the pending question, which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, as amended, and read a third time.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to have the bill as amended, printed, which was agreed to.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented the following resolution :

Whereas it is charged that it is the practice in the grain markets of this State to sell grain by sample and to allow the purchaser to clean and regrade such grain before it is weighed and to make settlement by weight made by the purchaser after the grain is so cleaned and regraded, and,

Whereas it is alleged that by means of this practice wrong and injustice are done to the farmers of the State,

Be it resolved, that the committee on Agriculture, Mining and Manufacturing be and they are hereby directed to inquire into the method in which grain is sold in this State and to formulate and report a bill regulating such sale if in the judgment of the committee it is deemed advisable to do so.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of the Mr. Keezell, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1900.

Lieut.-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Kerr.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, February 8, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act for the relief of E. W. Maxwell, late treasurer of Wise county and

securities on his official bond from excess of interest over six per centum, No. 322; an act to incorporate the Piedmont Lumber and Warehouse Company, No. 361; and an act authorizing the Dan River Power and Manufacturing Company to sell, transfer, and dispose of its property, assets and rights, and thereupon surrender its charter, No. 369.

They have dismissed Senate bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3650 of Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by act approved February 28, 1890, relating to exemptions from levy or distress, No. 58.

They have passed with amendments Senate bill entitled an act for the relief of Dr. W. M. Janney, No. 89.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to incorporate St. Leo's Catholic Club, No. 447; an act to incorporate the town of Honaker, in Russell county, No. 449; an act to amend and re-enact sections 2, 4, 8, and 13 of an act approved January 22, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact the charter of the town of Marion, Virginia, No. 450; an act to amend and re-enact section 16 of an act approved February 29, 1892, entitled an act to provide for working and keeping in order the public roads in the county of Louisa, No. 451; and a joint resolution to fill a vacancy in the electoral board of Spottsylvania county, Virginia, No. 452.

In which amendments and bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 89, Senate bill for the relief of Dr. W. M. Janney, with House amendment, was taken up.

Mr. LUPTON moved that the Senate refuse to concur in the House amendment, which was agreed to.

On his motion, Mr. LUPTON was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 447, House bill to incorporate Saint Leo's Catholic Club, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 449, House bill to incorporate the town of Honaker, in Russell county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended thereof), was placed on the calendar.

No. 450, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 2, 4, 8, and 13 of an act approved January 22, 1892 entitled an act to amend and re-enact the charter of the town of Marion, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. STEELE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 452, House bill to fill a vacancy in the electoral board of Spottsylvania county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

No. 451, House bill to amend and re-enact section 16 of an act

approved February 29, 1892, entitled an act to provide for working and keeping in order the public roads in the county of Louisa, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported without amendment

No. 444, Senate bill entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick and Lunenburg Railroad Company.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 368, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Abingdon Coal and Iron Railroad Company, approved April 11, 1887, and to extend the time for the completion of line of road by the Virginia Carolina Railway Company, which has succeeded to all the property, rights and franchises of said Abingdon Coal and Iron Railroad Company.

Mr. FLOOD, from the committee for courts of justice, reported without amendment

No. 359, House bill allowing the city of Norfolk to increase the salary of the judge of the court of law and chancery of said city, and to still further increase the salary of the judge of the corporation court of said city.

He, from the same committee, reported with a recommendation that it do not pass

No. 370, Senate bill to prevent carrying pistols.

He, from the same committee, reported with a recommendation that it do not pass

No. 371, Senate bill to prohibit the sale of pistols.

And he, from the same committee, reported with a recommendation that it do not pass

No. 372, Senate bill to prohibit the sale of pistol cartridges.

Mr. FAIRFAX, by leave, presented

No. 481, A bill regulating the establishment, use and protection meridian monuments and standards of measure at the several county seats in the State of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 482, A bill to prohibit persons from allowing hogs and certain other domestic animals except milch cows from running at large upon the public streets and roads of the county of Montgomery, and to provide a penalty for the same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. LYLE moved to amend by striking out Washington, which was agreed to, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on

his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.
Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 483, A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to declare Mud Fork in the county of Tazewell, navigable for a certain distance, approved November 24, 1884; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. WALKER, by leave (by request), presented

No. 484, A bill to authorize Octavius W. Hudson to erect a wharf on the Yeocomico river in the county of Northumberland; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. LYLE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 485, A bill to amend and re-enact section 103 of the act, approved January 16, 1896, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave, presented

No. 486, A bill forbidding the employment of children under fourteen years of age in disreputable concert halls, &c.; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 487, A bill to create Ettricks sub-school district in Matoaca school district of Chesterfield county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 488, A bill to provide for the funding of coupon bond No. 7742, of the par value of \$1,000, dated August 4, 1853, and issued under an act passed by the General Assembly May 25, 1852; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 489, A bill to ratify and confirm the charter of the Richmond Union Stock Yards Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. SHANDS, by leave, presented

No. 490, A bill to incorporate the Smithfield and Norfolk Steamboat Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 362, Senate bill to authorize the enlargement of the corporate limits of the city of Staunton when approved by vote of the people affected and providing for the taking of such vote, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. OPIE, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 345, To provide for a road law for Stafford county.

No. 413, To amend and re-enact section 447 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 18, 1890, relating to the manner in which taxes shall be extended.

No. 455, Senate bill to incorporate the Christiansburg Industrial Institute of Cambria, Virginia.

Mr. LYLE moved to discharge the committee on general laws from the further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

No. 450, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 12, chapter 6, of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Danville, approved February 17, 1890, and to amend and re-enact section 1, chapter 8 of said act, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved December 18, 1897, and entitled an act to amend section 1, chapter 8, of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Danville, approved February 17, 1890, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. JAMES (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. JAMES moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 469, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the Iron Belt Building and Loan Association of Roanoke, Virginia, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. LYLE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MAYNARD, presented a petition of citizens of Norfolk in favor of granting charter to the Richmond and Washington Air Line Railway Company, which was referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. LYLE presented a petition of citizens on behalf of Christiansburg Industrial Institute, which was referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Senate substitute for No. 108, House bill to provide for the recordation by clerks of the county or corporation courts of lists of conveyances and partitions that may have been returned thereto by the clerk of the general court, and may now be found therein, and declaring the effect to be given said lists when so recorded,

being the special order of the day, the hour of 12:45 having arrived, was taken up.

Mr. MORRIS offered the following amendment "section 5 this act shall not apply to any litigation whether at law or at equity now pending, but in all other respects shall be in force from its passage," which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 4; noes, 16.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Morris and Opie—4.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Flood, Foster, James, Johnson, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Wallace and Watkins—16.

Mr. WICKHAM stated that he was paired with Mr. JEFFRIES, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. SHANDS stated that he was paired with Mr. WHITEHEAD, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. CLAYTOR stated that he was paired with Mr. GOLD, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. TYLER stated that he was paired with Mr. DONOHUE, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. MORRIS offered another amendment as follows: "in line 12 printed substitute strike out all the words beginning with the word 'provided,' and down to section 5, to-wit: the words, 'provided however in any action at law or suit in equity against a junior patentee the provisions of this act and;'" which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 4; noes, 17.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Morris and Opie—4.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Flood, Foster, James, Johnson, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Walker, Wallace and Watkins—17.

Mr. WICKHAM stated that he was paired with Mr. JEFFRIES were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. SHANDS stated that he was paired with Mr. WHITEHEAD were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. CLAYTOR stated that he was paired with Mr. GOLD were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. TYLER stated that he was paired with Mr. DONOHUE were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

The substitute was read the third time and passed with its title, by the following vote—ayes, 17; noes, 4.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Flood, Foster, James, Johnson, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Sands, St. Clair, Walker, Wallace and Watkins—17.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Morris and Opie—4.

Mr. WICKHAM stated that he was paired with Mr. JEFFRIES were he present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. SHANDS stated that he was paired with Mr. WHITEHEAD were he present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. CLAYTOR stated that he was paired with Mr. GOLD were he present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. TYLER stated that he was paired with Mr. DONOHUE were he present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. SANDS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PARKS, who stated that that House had passed House bill No. 480, the bill was taken up, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

A message was received from the Governor by his private secretary in relation to reorganization of State troops.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, and ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time :

No. 447, To repeal an act entitled an act for the creation of a corporation to be known as the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company by the consolidation with the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company, and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, and to define its powers, approved January 17, 1900.

No. 448, To authorize the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company into a corporation to be known as the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company and to define its powers.

No. 449, To empower the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company, when formed by the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, to acquire leasehold or other estate in the Norfolk county ferries.

On motion of Mr. KEEZELL, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY, 10, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Kerr.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February, 9, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1258, Code of Virginia of 1887, in relation to railroad companies enclosing their roadbeds with fences and erecting cattle-guards, approved February 9, 1898, No. 10; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Shenandoah county, in their discretion, to levy a tax not exceeding twenty cents on the one hundred dollars of the taxable value of said county for public school purposes, No. 170; and an act to incorporate the Samaritan Endowment Association, No. 181.

They have dismissed Senate bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3101 and 3102 as amended and re-enacted by chapter 423 of the Acts of Assembly, 1893-94, and 3105 of the Code, relating to the reporter of the supreme court of appeals, his duties, and the duties of the clerks of said court with relation to its opinions, No. 358.

They have passed with amendment Senate bill entitled an act to direct and authorize county and corporation courts to strike from the list of lands returned delinquent for non-payment of taxes, levies, &c., such as are erroneously thereon, No. 190.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to repeal the charter of the town of Smithfield, and to grant a new charter to the said town, No. 468; an act to confirm to and vest in Lebanon Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of Spotsylvania county, title to church lot occupied by said church since 1810, No. 459.

In which amendment and bills, they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 190, Senate bill to direct and authorize county and corporation courts to strike from the list of lands returned delinquent for non-payment of taxes, levies, &c., such as are erroneously thereon, with House amendments, was taken up, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 468, House bill to repeal the charter of the town of Smithfield, and to grant a new charter to the said town, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SHANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 459, House bill to confirm and vest in Lebanon Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of Spotsylvania county, Virginia, title to church lot occupied by said church since 1810, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALLACE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. OPIE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 491, A bill to establish a dispensary in the city of Staunton; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

No. 495, A bill for the relief of W. R. Watson, J. D. Hankins and C. H. Childress, disabled Confederate soldiers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

No. 496, A bill for the relief of Mrs. ——— St. John and Mrs. Booker T. Davis, widows of Confederate soldiers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 497, A bill to provide for working and keeping in repairs the public roads and bridges and to regulate the manner of opening new roads in the county of Montgomery; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 498, A bill to authorize the county court and board of supervisors of Cumberland county to allow a monument to the Confederate dead to be erected on the public square of said county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 131, House bill to refund to Thomas J. Vaughan and Sallie A. Vaughan double taxes, paid to the State by them on certain lots in Atlantic City ward, Norfolk city, Va.

He, from the same committee, reported with a substitute

No. 224, Senate bill in relation to the power, duties and compensation of the State Board of Health.

And he, from the same committee, reported with recommendation that it do not pass

No. 425, Senate bill for the relief of D. H. Braganier, a justice of the peace for the city of Winchester.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws reported without amendment

No. 402, Senate bill for the relief of the congregation and members of Madison Station M. E. Church South, in Amherst county, authorizing the establishment of Mead Memorial Burial Grounds, and defining the duties and powers of the trustees thereof, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. FLOOD (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 411, Senate bill to authorize the United States Government to acquire title to and jurisdiction over certain lands in the county of Princess Anne.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 440, Senate bill to incorporate the Petersburg Development and Loan Company, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 201, House bill to authorize the Hampton Villa Company to grade and fill in its water front, erect pier, wharf and bulkhead, and charge tolls therefor.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 221, House bill to allow J. H. Whealton and E. B. Blackman, to build a pier in Rappahannock river near Whealton at or near the mouth of Moratico creek.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 301, House bill to incorporate the Union Brothers, a colored organization, with powers to care for its sick and bury its dead.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 370, House bill to ratify, confirm, and amend the charter of the Norfolk Hampton Roads Company, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 388, House bill to approve, ratify, and confirm the charter of the Peace and Light Society of King George county, Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 447, House bill to incorporate Saint Leo's Catholic Club.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 178, House bill to incorporate the Pulaski and Giles Insurance Company, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 266, House bill to amend section 3 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Farmers and Mechanics Benevolent Fire Insurance Association of the counties of Roanoke and Botetourt, approved April 2, 1893, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported without amendment

No. 472, Senate bill to incorporate the Sulphur Mining and Railroad Company.

He, from the same committee, reported the following committee bill

No. 492, Senate bill to protect the interest of the State of Virginia, in the Richmond Fredricksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, by inhibiting the execution of certain traffic contracts, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. MUNFORD, was made the special and continuing order for Tuesday, February 13, at 12:45 P. M.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendments, substitute for

No. 342, Senate bill to incorporate the Richmond and Washington Air Line Railway Company, upon certain conditions with respect to the sale of the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredricksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. MUNFORD, was made the special and continuing order for Tuesday, February 13, at 12:45 P. M.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, from the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing reported with a substitute

No. 179, Senate bill to repeal chapter 81 of the Code, and to repeal an act approved February 29, 1888, entitled an act to further define the duties and enlarge the powers of the Commissioner of Agriculture, and an act approved March 5, 1888, entitled an act to provide for a Board of Agriculture of Virginia, and making appropriation therefor, and to reform the department of agriculture, provide for the appointment of a Commissioner and Board of Agriculture, define the duties of the Commissioner and Board, to regulate the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers and impose a tax on said fertilizers.

He, from the same committee reported, with amendment

No. 399, Senate bill to create and maintain a State board of crop pest commissioners and to define their powers.

He, from the same committee, reported the following committee bill

No. 494, To repeal sections 2194, 2195, 2196, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211,

2212, 2213, of the Code of Virginia, and to amend and re-enact section 2214 of the Code of Virginia, with reference to inspection of cattle brought into the State from south of State or federal quarantine line.

He, from the same committee, presented the following committee bill

No. 493, To amend and re-enact sections 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13 and to repeal section 15 of an act entitled an act to provide for the protection of domestic animals and to authorize and empower the board of control of the experiment station of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg to establish live stock quarantine lines, rules and regulations, and to prescribe penalties for violating the same, approved February 18, 1896, authorizing board of supervisors to quarantine against other counties under certain condition and fixing the penalties for violation of the provisions of this act.

And he, from the same committee, reported with a recommendation that it be referred to the committee on finance and banks

No. 405, Senate bill to incorporate the Virginia State Horticultural Society and to define its powers and duties.

Mr. MORRIS, from the committee on public institutions and education, reported with a recommendation that it do not pass

No. 385, Senate bill to prohibit the sale of wine, malt liquors, or ardent spirits, or any mixture thereof, within one mile of any school-house or church in any of the counties of this commonwealth.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 350, House bill to incorporate Fredericksburg College, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. FOLKES, who informed the Senate that that House had passed the following joint resolution :

Resolved, by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the officers of this State are instructed to recognize Governor Beckman as the actual and legally authorized Governor of the State of Kentucky in all matters pending between the State of Kentucky and this State, or that may hereafter arise between the two States, during the pending gubernatorial term of the State of Kentucky.

And be it further resolved, That the clerk of the House of Delegates shall forward to Governor Beckman a copy of these resolutions.

Which was read and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

No. 172, Senate bill to incorporate Hampton Roads Railway and Electric Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time ; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. LYLE (two-

thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 426, Senate bill to authorize the heirs at law of Louisa Snowden to pay certain taxes and levies on a tract of land in Fairfax county, in satisfaction and discharge of all taxes and levies assessed and charged against it, was taken up, read the second time, committee substitute adopted, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr DONOHUE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 27; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—27.

NOES—None.

The following Senate bills were taken up, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM recommitted to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 370, To prevent carrying pistols.

No. 371, To prevent the sale of pistols.

No. 372, To prohibit the sale of pistol cartridges.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 438, To allow J. B. Wise, treasurer of Northampton county, further time in which to collect certain tax tickets in his hands not returned delinquent.

No. 439, To legalize primary elections and conventions in the county of Prince William.

No. 377, To allow the voters of Union Hall magisterial district in Franklin county to vote upon the question of the no-fence law and to fix the rights of all parties concerned should it be adopted.

No. 437, To allow Edward O. Gladstone, late deputy treasurer of Northampton county, further time in which to collect certain tax tickets in his hands not returned delinquent.

No. 225, To fix the salaries of the board of supervisors of Fauquier county.

No. 359, Allowing the city of Norfolk to increase the salary of the judge of the court of law and chancery of said city, and to still further increase the salary of the judge of the corporation court of said city.

No. 368, To amend and re-enact section two of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Abingdon Coal and Iron Railroad Company, approved April 11, 1887, and to extend the time for the completion of line by road of the Virginia Carolina Railroad Com-

pany, which has succeeded to all the property, rights, and franchises of said Abingdon Coal and Iron Railroad Company.

No. 449, To incorporate the town of Honaker in Russell county.

No. 160, House bill to change the name of the Elizabeth Night Ferry Company to the Elizabeth River Ferry Company, and to amend and re-enact sections 1, 2, and 3 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Elizabeth Night Ferry Company, approved January 15, 1896, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments, agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 342, House bill to allow C. W. Thomas, treasurer of the city of Roanoke, further time to collect certain tax tickets in his hands, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 140, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to prevent shooting or killing game at night in the counties of Charles City, Prince George, New Kent, Henrico, and James City, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 141, House bill to amend and re-enact section 8, as amended by an act approved February 14, 1898, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to.

Mr. MORRIS moved to amend title.

Mr. MUNFORD moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendments were adopted.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to pass the bill by and print, which was agreed to.

No. 455, Senate bill to incorporate the Christiansburg Industrial Institute of Cambria, Virginia, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 431, Senate bill to incorporate the Pennington Gap Telephone Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. BRUCE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 23, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, as heretofore amended, in relation to sale of

delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor, being the special order of the day, the hour of 1 P. M. having arrived, was taken up.

Mr. WICKHAM, moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment, which was agreed to.

Mr. JEFFRIES, moved to reconsider the vote by which Mr. TYLER's amendment was agreed to, which was as follows, "in line 87 page 5 strike out the words 'nor more than \$5,' " which was agreed to.

Mr. JEFFRIES then offered the following amendment :

" In line 94 after the words \$2 add the words 'nor more than \$5.00' " which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time ; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 27 ; noes, 3.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace Watkins and Wickham—27.

NOES—Messrs. Johnson, Lyle and Mann—3.

Mr. MORRIS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. DINWIDDIE announced that he was paired with Mr. GOLD, if he were present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

No. 40. Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 664 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to redemptions of delinquent lands purchased by the commonwealth, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time ; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (two-thirds concurring) was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 29 ; noes, 0.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Foster, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 5. Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3166 of the Code, in relation to trial by jury, being the special order of the day, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM, recommitted to the committee for courts of justice.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 447, To repeal an act entitled an act for the creation of a corporation to be known as the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company by the consolidation with the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company, and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, and to define its powers, approved January 17, 1900.

No. 448, To authorize the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company into a corporation to be known as the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company and to define its powers.

No. 449, To empower the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company, when formed by the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, to acquire leasehold or other estate in the Norfolk county ferries.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time :

No. 459, For the relief of William H. Brauer, treasurer of Henrico county.

No. 467, To provide the planters to whom natural oyster rocks have been assigned through mistake shall have a reasonable time to remove their planted oysters therefrom, &c.

No. 466, To amend and re-enact section 11 of an act entitled an act to create the board of fisheries, define its duties, and fix the salaries of its members, approved February 7, 1898.

No. 478, To authorize the board of fisheries under certain conditions to compensate out of oyster fund certain planters for loss of oysters.

No. 470, To incorporate the Westminster School of Richmond, Virginia.

No. 468, Providing for a codification of the oyster and fish laws now in force.

No. 163, Senate bill to prevent corrupt practices or bribery in elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and providing penalties and remedies for violations of this act, and declaring void under certain conditions elections in which the provisions of this act or any of them have been violated, being the special order of the day, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. BARKSDALE, was passed by.

No. 271, Senate bill to provide for the indexing of deeds and other records in Wise, Dickenson and Buchanan counties, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. BRUCE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 244, Senate bill to regulate the employment of children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. LYLE, made the special and continuing order for Tuesday, February 13, at 1 o'clock P. M.

No. 292, Senate bill to allow lessees of fifty or more contiguous acres of planting-ground to dredge or scrape the same under certain conditions, and to impose a penalty for dredging or scraping planting-grounds except as provided in this act, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 335, Senate bill to extend the time in which the securities of C. H. English, late treasurer of Henry county, may settle with the auditor of public accounts under provisions of an act approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 473, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Albemarle county and the council of the city of Charlottesville to contribute to the erection of a Confederate monument, and to levy a special tax for the purpose, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. MORRIS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 483, Senate bill to repeal an act entitled an act to declare Mud Fork, in the county of Tazewell, navigable for a certain distance, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 484, Senate bill to authorize Octavius W. Hudson to erect a wharf on the Yeocomico river, in the county of Northumberland, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WALKER (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. OPIE, the Senate adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1900.

Lieut.-Governor EDW. ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. C. D. Crawley.

Journal of Saturday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 10, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act providing for holding terms of court in second judicial circuit, No. 359; an act to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the Iron Belt Building and Loan Association of Roanoke, Virginia, No. 469; an act to incorporate the Tidewater Transportation Company, No. 364; and an act to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to authorize the construction by the Piedmont Soapstone Company of tramways or railroads not exceeding twenty-five miles in length, and the encumbering and disposal of the same, approved February 6, 1896, and to confirm the charter of the said company and authorize a change of its name, No. 379.

In which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

Mr. CLAYTON by leave, presented

No. 499, A bill to authorize and empower the county and corporation courts of the commonwealth, or the judge thereof in vacation, to suspend any treasurer of any county or city, whenever it shall appear from the report of the auditor of public accounts, the board of supervisors or otherwise, that said treasurer, clerk, or other officer has failed to make settlement or pay over the amount found by such auditor, board of supervisors, &c., to be due from such treasurer, clerk, or other officer, as the law directs; and to authorize and empower said court, or the judge thereof in vacation, to appoint some person to discharge the duties of such treasurer, clerk or other officer, until the settlement and payment aforesaid is made; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 500, A bill for the relief of Joseph Crouch, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 501, A bill to establish the Wise school district in Wise county, providing the mode of appointing trustees and for levying tax for district-school purposes therein, and authorizing the trustees to apply money collected to payment of teachers salaries, etc.; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 502, A bill to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act entitled an act to incorporate Big Sandy and Cumberland Railroad Company in force; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 503, A bill for the relief of Miss Carrie C. Sexton, of Smyth county from erroneous assessment; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 504, A bill for the relief of Mrs. Fannie C. Sexton of Smyth county from erroneous assessment; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 505, A bill for the relief of H. H. Dotson, the vendees of J. H. Snodgrass (deceased), and the vendees of Ira Gilliam (deceased) conferring upon the county court of Wise county jurisdiction of a motion to have satisfaction of a certain judgment in favor of the commonwealth entered by the clerk of said court, and making H. H. Dotson a competent witness upon the hearing of said motion; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 506, A bill for the relief of Lilburn Fulton and others, giving to the county court of Wise county jurisdiction of a motion to have satisfaction entered of a certain judgment against said Fulton and others, and providing for the competency of witness upon the hearing of said motion; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 507, A bill to provide for the deposit of a forfeiture by the Virginia Telephone Company before its charter becomes effective.

Mr. SANDS, moved to suspend the rules, and place the bill on the calendar which was rejected.

Mr. FLOOD, moved to reconsider the vote, by which the Senate

refused to place the bill on the calendar, which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 13; noes, 19.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Donohoe, Flood, Jeffries, Johnson, Massie, Maynard, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—13.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Hartley, James, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tate and Wallace—19.

Mr. STEELE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 508, A bill to amend and re-enact section 581 of the Code of Virginia, in regard to submitting question of liquor license to voters as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 8th, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WALKER, by leave, presented

No. 509, A bill for relief of P. C. Balderson, a disabled Confederate soldier; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

On motion of Mr. BARKSDALE the privilege of the floor was extended Hon. William Jennings Bryan, a distinguished visitor, and the chair was vacated ten minutes to allow Senators to greet him.

No. 480, House bill for the relief of estate of D. B. Long from certain delinquent taxes.

Mr. JEFFRIES moved that the committee on finance and banks be discharged from the further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 26; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 468, To repeal the charter of the town of Smithfield, and to grant a new charter to the said town.

No. 447, To incorporate Saint Leo's Catholic Club.

No. 388, To approve, ratify, and confirm the charter of the Peace and Light Society of King George county, Virginia.

No. 301, To incorporate the Union Brothers, a colored organization, with powers to care for its sick and to bury its dead.

No. 221, To allow J. H. Whealton and E. B. Blackman to build a pier in Rappahannock river near Whealton, at or near the mouth of Moratico creek.

No. 201, To authorize the Hampton Roads Villa Company to grade and fill in its water-front, erect a pier, wharf, and bulk-head, and charge tolls therefor.

No. 131, House bill to refund to Thomas J. Vaughan and Sallie A. Vaughan double taxes paid to the State by them, on certain lots in Atlantic City ward, Norfolk city, Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 27; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—27,

NOES—None.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 459, For the relief of William H. Brauer, treasurer of Henrico county.

No. 292, To allow lessees of fifty or more contiguous acres of planting-ground to dredge or scrape the same under certain conditions, and to impose a penalty for dredging or scraping planting grounds except as provided in this act.

No. 467, To provide that planters to whom natural oyster rocks have been assigned through mistake shall have a reasonable time to remove their planted oysters therefrom, &c.

No. 466, To amend and re-enact section 11 of an act entitled an act to create the Board of Fisheries, define its duties, and fix the salaries of its members, approved February 7, 1898.

No. 470, To incorporate the Westminster School of Richmond, Virginia.

No. 455, To incorporate the Christiansburg Industrial Institute, of Cambria, Virginia.

No. 468, Providing for a codification of the oyster and fish laws now in force.

No. 478, Senate bill to authorize the Board of Fisheries under certain conditions to compensate out of oyster fund certain planters for loss of oysters; was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 24, noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, McIlwaine, Maynard, Opie, Sands, St. Clair, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—24.

NOES—None.

No. 335, Senate bill to extend the time in which the securities of C. H. English, late treasurer of Henry county, may settle with the auditor of public accounts under provisions of an act approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 29 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Hartley, James, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 444, Entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick and Lunenburg Railroad Company.

No. 472, To incorporate the Sulphur Mining and Railroad Company.

No. 411, Senate bill to authorize the United States government to acquire title to and jurisdiction over certain lands situate on Cape Henry, in the county of Princess Anne, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. FOSTER (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 32 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—32.

NOES—None.

On motion of Mr. LYLE, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 12, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2940 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to warrants for small claims as amended and re-enacted by chapter 74 of Acts of Assembly, 1889-'90, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 541 of Acts of Assembly 1893-'94 as amended and re-enacted by chapter 898 of Acts of Assembly 1897-'98, approved March 3, 1898, No. 192; an act to validate certain contracts made and entered into by and between the Nottoway Building and Loan Association and its members, No. 204; an act to validate the purchase by the board of supervisors of Frederick county of a lot in the city of Winchester, and to declare the uses therein, No. 325; an act to validate the deed of partition of the public square made between the city of Winchester and the county of Frederick and the agreement of compromise therein incorporated, No. 392; an act to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act approved February 25, 1892, entitled an act to amend an act incorporating the trustees of Union Theological Seminary in Virginia, approved January 9, 1867, in relation to the power of conferring degrees by said seminary, No. 400; an act to provide payment out of the public treasury to Fauquier county of the amount of criminal expenses erroneously paid by said county, No. 330; an act for the relief of Charles Richardson from the payment of certain fines, No. 337; an act to incorporate the Pennington Gap Telephone Company, No. 431; an act to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges, and to regulate the manner of opening new roads in the county of Montgomery, No. 497, an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Albemarle county and the council of the city of Charlottesville to contribute to the erection of a Confederate monument, and to levy a special tax for the purpose, No. 475; and an act to provide for the indexing of deeds and other records in Wise, Dickenson, and Buchanan counties, No. 271.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact sub-section seven of section 3214, Code of Virginia, edition of 1887, providing how judge of a circuit court may be sued, or where sued before he is elected judge, when the suit may be removed to any county or corporation in an adjoining circuit, No.

434; an act to incorporate the Virginia Immigration Company, No. 262; an act to incorporate the Albemarle Orchard Company, No. 263; an act to amend and re-enact section 2564 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to when partition cannot be made there may be allotment or sale; proceedings in case of sale; how proceedings distributed or invested, and effect of sale on right of dower, No. 398; an act to amend and re-enact section 2298 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the remedies for or against married women, No. 399; an act to repeal section 2503 of the Code of Virginia, No. 400; an act to amend and re-enact section 3435 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the bill of review, No. 401; an act to repeal section 3830 of the Code of Virginia, No. 402; an act to repeal an act entitled an act to enable married women to sue in their own name in all cases where they are required to sue by their next friend, approved March 3, 1898, No. 404; an act to amend section 2513 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to who may not make wills, with a saving as to infants of 18 years of age, or upwards, No. 405; an act to amend and re-enact section 2615 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to how leases on behalf of persons under disability may be made, No. 406; an act in relation to the property rights of married women declaring how they may acquire and dispose of property; make contracts, sue and be sued; and to amend sections 2291, 2293, 2294, and 2296, chapter 103, of the Code of Virginia; and to repeal sections 2284, 2285, 2286, 2287, 2288, 2289, 2290, 2292, and 2295 as amended by Acts of 1895-96 on page 486 thereof, No. 407; an act to bar the commonwealth and the counties and corporations of the commonwealth from collecting taxes due and payable prior to January 1, 1876, No. 408; an act to amend and re-enact section one of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 2 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public schools, to pay interest on public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses, as amended by an act approved March 4, 1896, and as amended by an act approved January 17, 1898, No. 428; and a joint resolution requesting the State Board of Health and Vital Statistics to report as to the proper mode and place for inflicting the death penalty, No. 433; an act to incorporate the Saltville railway company, No. 444; an act to confirm and quiet the title of certain property owned by the trustees of Bethel Baptist Church, in Mecklenburg county, No. 448; an act to amend and re-enact section 1, chapter 346, of an act of Assembly, approved February 17, 1896, entitled an act prescribing the time for holding the courts in the sixth judicial circuit of Virginia, No. 456; an act to incorporate the Ballston Railroad Company, No. 463; an act to incorporate the Spotsylvania Telephone Company, No. 465; an act to amend and re-enact sections 4, 5, 8, and 12 of an act of the General Assembly of Vir-

ginia, passed by both houses and became a law on the 21st day of January, 1900, entitled an act to provide a new charter for the town of Abingdon, Virginia, and to repeal all other acts with reference thereto, No. 466; an act to authorize and enable the town of Warrenton to call in the outstanding bonds of the town issued pursuant to acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, and to replace them by a new issue of bonds bearing a less rate of interest, and to borrow money, and to extend the time of payment of the bonded indebtedness of the said town, No. 467; an act to allow the board of supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight, in its discretion, to pay to J. R. Jordan the value of a pair of mules drowned by the alleged default of the said county, in permitting one of its bridges to be out of repair and dangerous, No. 469; an act to authorize the Big Stone Gap Iron Company to build branch railroads not exceeding twenty miles in length in the counties of Lee, Scott, and Wise, No. 472; an act authorizing the board of supervisors of Fauquier county to levy a tax on dogs, and to enforce collection of said tax, with certain penalties in case of failure to pay the same, No. 473; an act to authorize the district school boards of Nansemond county to compensate school trustees, No. 474; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Mt. Vernon Avenue Association, approved February 18, 1890, No. 475; an act to refund to W. C. Andrews \$150.00 erroneously paid into the treasury, No. 431; an act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Saltville and Mendota Railroad Company approved, March 8, 1894, and all acts amendatory thereof, No. 476; an act to authorize and permit D. S. Jones to erect wharves and piers and to construct bulkheads in James river along the water fronts of the lands owned by him in the counties of Warwick and Elizabeth City, No. 477; an act to authorize the county court and board of supervisors of Page County to erect a monument to the Confederate dead of said county on the courthouse square, No. 478; an act to amend the ninth and eleventh sections of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act to amend the charter of the town of Warrenton, passed April 9, 1852, approved January 17, 1871, as amended by an act approved January 22, 1892, No. 479; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to empower the board of supervisors of Buchanan county to increase the salary of the judge of the county court of said county, No. 481; an act providing a charter for the town of West Clifton Forge, in the county of Alleghany, No. 483; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to prescribe the time for holding the circuit court for the eighth judicial circuit, and to regulate the compensation of the judge thereof, approved January 30, 1900, No. 484; an act for the relief of J. C. Stanly, deputy treasurer of Patrick county, No. 485; an act to reduce the travel rate of the Louisville and Nashville railroad company from four cents per mile to three cents per mile

in the State of Virginia, No. 486; an act to reduce the rate of the South Atlantic and Ohio railroad travel from five cents per mile to three cents per mile in the State of Virginia, No. 487; an act to amend and re-enact section one of an act entitled an act to regulate and license pawnbrokers, and to regulate junk dealers and dealers in second-hand personal property in the cities of Virginia and county of Henrico, approved March 4, 1896, No. 488; an act to authorize and empower Mrs. Laura C. Webb-Peploe to dispose of certain real estate and to make valid title thereto, No. 490; an act to amend and re-enact section 814 of the Code of Virginia in relation to bonds of officers, No. 497; an act to allow W. J. Woods, ex-treasurer of Giles county, and all of his deputies, further time for collecting taxes in Giles county, No. 501; an act to incorporate the Sons and Daughters of Liberty of Westmoreland county, Virginia, No. 504; an act to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act entitled an act to establish a corporation court for the city of Newport News, approved January 23, 1896, No. 505; an act to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges of the county of Washington, and to authorize the board of supervisors to borrow money by the issue of bonds to build bridges and macadamize the roads in said county and to authorize the qualified voters of said county to vote on the question, No. 506; and an act to incorporate the State Ferry Company of Virginia, No. 509.

In which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 434, House bill to amend and re-enact sub-section seven of section 3214, Code of Virginia, edition of 1887, providing how judge of circuit court may be sued, or where sued before he is elected judge, when the suit may be removed to any county or corporation in an adjoining circuit, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for the courts of justice.

No. 262, House bill to incorporate the Virginia Immigration Company, was taken up, twice read, and an motion of Mr. MORRIS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 263, House bill to incorporate the Albemarle Orchard Company, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 398, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2564 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to when partition cannot be made there may be allotment or sale; proceedings in case of sale; how proceedings distributed or invested, and effect of sale on right of dower, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 399, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2298 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the remedies for or against married women, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 400, House bill to repeal section 2503 of the Code of Vir-

ginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 401, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3435 of the Code of Virginia relating to the bill of review, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 402, House bill to repeal section 3830 of the Code of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 404, House bill to repeal an act entitled an act to enable married women to sue in their own name in all cases where they are required to sue by their next friend, approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 405, House bill to amend section 2513 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to who may not make wills, with a saving as to infants of 18 years of age, or upwards, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 406, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2615 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to how leases on behalf of persons under disability may be made, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 407, House bill in relation to the property rights of married women, declaring how they may acquire and dispose of property; make contracts, sue and be sued; and to amend sections 2291, 2293, 2294, and 2296, chapter 103 of the Code of Virginia; and to repeal sections 2284, 2285, 2286, 2287, 2288, 2289, 2290, 2292, and 2295 as amended by Acts of 1895-'96 on page 486 thereof, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 408, House bill to bar the commonwealth and the counties and corporations of the commonwealth from collecting taxes due and payable prior to January 1, 1876, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 428, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 2 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public schools, to pay interest on public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses, as amended by an act approved March 4, 1896, and as amended by an act approved January 17, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 433, House bill joint resolution requesting the State board of health and vital statistics to report as to the proper mode and place for inflicting the death penalty, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 444, House bill to incorporate the Saltville Railway Com-

pany, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 448, House bill to confirm and quiet the title of certain property owned by the trustees of Bethel Baptist Church in Mecklenburg county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 456, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1, chapter 356, of an act of assembly approved February 17, 1896, entitled an act prescribing the times for holding the courts in the sixth judicial circuit of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 463, House bill to incorporate the Ballston Railroad Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 465, House bill to incorporate the Spotsylvania Telephone Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 466, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 4, 5, 8, and 12 of an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, passed by both houses and became a law on the 21st day of January, 1900, entitled an act to provide a new charter for the town of Abingdon, Virginia, and to repeal all other acts with reference thereto, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. STEELE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 467, House bill to authorize and enable the town of Warrenton to call in the out-standing bonds of the town issued pursuant to acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, and to replace them by a new issue of bonds bearing a less rate of interest, and to borrow money, and to extend the time of payment of the bonded indebtedness of the said town, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 469, House bill to allow the board of supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight in its discretion, to pay to J. R. Jordan the value of a pair of mules drowned by the alleged default of the said county, in permitting one of its bridges to be out of repair and dangerous, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 472, House bill to authorize the Big Stone Gap Iron Company to build branch railroads not exceeding twenty miles in length in the counties of Lee, Scott, and Wise, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 473, House bill authorizing the board of supervisors of Fauquier county to levy a tax on dogs and to enforce collection of said tax, with certain penalties in case of failure to pay the same, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FAIRFAX (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 474, House bill to authorize the district school boards of Nansemond county to compensate school trustees, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SHANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 475, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Mt. Vernon Avenue Association, approved February 18, 1890, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 477, House bill to authorize and permit D. S. Jones to erect wharves and piers and to construct bulkheads in James river along the water fronts of the land owned by him in the counties of Warwick and Elizabeth City, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 478, House bill to authorize the county court and board of supervisors of Page county to erect a monument to the Confederate dead of said county on the courthouse square, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GOLD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 479, House bill to amend the ninth and eleventh sections of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act to amend the charter of the town of Warrenton, passed April 9, 1852, approved January 17, 1871, as amended by an act approved January 22, 1892, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 481, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to empower the board of supervisors of Buchanan county to increase the salary of the judge of the county court of said county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 483, House bill providing a charter for the town of West Clifton Forge, in the county of Alleghany, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 484, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to prescribe the time for holding the circuit court for the eighth judicial circuit, and to regulate the compensation of the judge thereof, approved January 30, 1900, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 485, House bill for the relief of J. C. Stanly, deputy treasurer of Patrick county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 486, House bill to reduce the travel rate of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company from four cents per mile to three cents per mile in the State of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 487, House bill to reduce the rate of the South Atlantic and Ohio Railroad travel from five cents per mile to three cents per mile in the State of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 488, House bill to amend and re enact section one of an act entitled an act to regulate and license pawnbrokers, and to regulate junk dealers and dealers in second-hand personal property in the cities of Virginia and county of Henrico, approved March 4, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 490, House bill to authorize and empower Mrs. Laura C. Webb-Peploe to dispose of certain real estate and to make valid title thereto, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 497, House bill to amend and re-enact section 814 of the Code of Virginia in relation to bonds of officers, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 501, House bill to allow W. J. Woods, ex-treasurer of Giles county, and all of his deputies, further time for collecting taxes in Giles county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 504, House bill to incorporate the Sons and Daughters of Liberty of Westmoreland county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 505, House bill to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act entitled an act to establish a corporation court for the city of Newport News, approved January 23, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 506, House bill to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges of the county of Washington, and to authorize the board of supervisors to borrow money by the issue of bonds to build bridges and macadamize the roads in said county, and to authorize the qualified voters of said county to vote on the question, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. STEELE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 509, House bill to incorporate the State Ferry Company of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 431, House bill to refund to W. C. Andrews \$150.00 erroneously paid into the treasury, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 476, House bill to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Saltville and Mendota Railroad Company, approved March 8, 1894, and all acts amendatory thereof, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported with an amendment

No. 323, House bill to incorporate the Virginia Northern Development and Railway Company, the bill was subsequently taken up, and on motion of Mr. MANN, read the third time, committee amendment agreed to, and passed with its title.

Mr. MANN moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and town, reported without amendment

No. 305, Senate bill to amend and re-enact the charter of the town of Chatham.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 213, Senate bill declaring certain streams in the county of Powhatan, the highways.

He, from the same committee, reported with a recommendation that it do not pass

No. 223, Senate bill to prevent the pollution of the water courses in Washington county.

He, from the same committee reported, without amendment

No. 423, House bill to provide for the purchase of toll roads or turnpikes in certain magisterial districts.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 283, House bill to provide for working the roads, repairing bridges, and opening new roads in the county of Augusta, and repealing so much of the acts as affects the county of Augusta, approved February 26, 1884, February 19, 1886, February 28, 1890, March 3, 1894 and March 2, 1898.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 260, House bill to authorize the common council of the city of Roanoke, in the State of Virginia, to levy and collect an annual rental for the use of sewers.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 510, A bill to incorporate the Wise Terminal Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 511, A bill to provide for the proper assessment of mineral products within the State; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 512, To amend and re-enact sub-section ninth of section 6 of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where

a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, as amended by an act approved March 8, 1894; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 513, A bill authorizing corporations and joint-stock companies now or hereafter chartered and organized under an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, and duly thereunder, holding possession as owner or lessee or lessees of real estate or interest therein, or products therein or thereon, in the vicinity of any railroad, canal, slack water navigation made or to be made, to construct and condemn land for the construction and operation of lateral railroads, and to construct and require the construction of all necessary, proper, suitable and convenient connections, sidings, side tracks and switches, and regulating traffic over the same and connecting railroads; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 514, A bill to amend and re-enact section one of chapter 58 of the Acts of 1889-'90, approved February 11, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the appointment of assistant commissioners of accounts, and to define their duties and powers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 296, House bill to amend and re-enact section 962 of chapter 43 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to who shall pay the expense of repairs and keeping in order public roads, where the said roads cross milldams, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. WALKER moved to postpone the bill indefinitely, which was agreed to.

Mr. WALKER moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was indefinitely postponed, which was rejected.

No. 342, Senate bill to incorporate the Richmond and Washington Air Line Railway Company, being the special and continuing order for the day, the hour of 12:45 o'clock having arrived, was taken up.

Mr. MORRIS moved to commit the bill to the committee on finance and banks, who are instructed to make a report as speedily as possible, which was agreed to, by the following vote—ayes, 20; noes, 20.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Eggleston, Fairfax, Glass, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Tate, Walker and Whitehead—20.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Gold, Harvey, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Munford, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—20.

The PRESIDENT casting the deciding vote.

Mr. OPIE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 492, Senate bill to protect the interest of the State of Virginia in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, by inhibiting the execution of certain traffic contracts, being the special and continuing order of the day, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS, committed to the committee on finance and banks.

On motion of Mr. LYLE, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1900.

Lieut.-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Crawley.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, February 13, 1900.

The House of Delegates has agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bills entitled an act to provide for the recordation by clerks of the county or corporation courts of lists of conveyances and partitions that may have been returned thereto by the clerks of the general court, and may now be found therein and declaring the effect to be given said lists when so recorded, No. 108; and an act to incorporate the Virginia Northern Development and Railway Company, No. 323.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws reported without amendment

No. 417, Senate bill to incorporate the Negro Agricultural and Industrial Society of Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 489, Senate bill to ratify and confirm charter of the Richmond Union Stock Yards Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 264, House bill to incorporate the State Council of Virginia, Junior Order of United American Mechanics of the State of Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 326, House bill to incorporate the Mutual Homestead Fire Insurance Association.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendments No. 465, House bill to incorporate the Spotsylvania Telephone Company, was subsequently taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. WALLACE, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation reported with an amendment

No. 490, Senate bill to incorporate the Smithfield and Norfolk Steamboat Company.

He, from the same committee, reported with substitutes

No. 110, Senate bill to prevent persons riding on freight or passenger trains of any railroad in this commonwealth, without authority having been first obtained from said railroad company.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 299, House bill to prevent riotous or disorderly conduct in any car or a caboose or any part of a train carrying passengers or employees of any railroad or street passenger railway.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 177, House bill to incorporate Virginia Transportation Company.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 444, House bill to incorporate the Saltville Railway Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 463, House bill to incorporate the Ballston Railroad Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 509, House bill to incorporate the State Ferry Company of Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 476, House bill to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Saltville and Mendota Railroad Company, approved March 8, 1894, and all acts amendatory thereof.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 475, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Mt. Vernon Avenue Association, approved February 18, 1890.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 515, A bill to prevent fire insurance companies, associations or partnerships doing business in this State from entering into any compact or combination to make or control commission or compensation paid or to be paid agents, or employees of such companies, associations or partnerships, or of any of them on account of work done or business gotten for such companies, associations or partnerships or any of them by such agents or employees, and providing a punishment for violation of this act; which, on his

motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. WHITEHEAD, by leave, presented

No. 516, A bill to authorize and empower the school trustees of Chatham school district of Pittsylvania county to sell and convey certain lands; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 517, A bill to allow R. N. Turner, late treasurer of Goochland county further time to collect taxes and levies uncollected, but accounted for by him; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 518, A bill making it unlawful for any person to play the game commonly called craps or any game of like kind for money or other things of value, and prescribing punishment of any person guilty of same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. DINWIDDIE, by leave, presented

No. 519, A bill for the relief of George W. Finney a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WALKER, by leave (by request), presented

No. 520, A bill to permit N. Z. Oakly to erect a wharf in Moratico creek in Richmond county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. McLLWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 521, A bill to repeal section 1043 of the Code of Virginia as amended, &c.; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. McLLWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 522, A bill authorizing cities and towns to make city and town levies; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. McLLWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 523, A bill to provide for local assessments in cities and towns; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. McLLWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 524, A bill to amend and re-enact section 1043 of the Code

of Virginia, &c., as amended, &c.; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. SHANDS, by leave, presented

No. 525, A bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Southampton county to aid in the erection of a monument to the Confederate dead of said county, on the court-house square by contributing thereto a sum not exceeding five hundred (\$500.00) dollars; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. SHANDS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 526, A bill to incorporate the St. Andrews Association; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 527, A bill to amend and re-enact the third and fourth sub-divisions of section 1439 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to the duties of county school superintendents; which, on his motion was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 528, House bill to amend and re-enact the third and fourth sub-divisions of section 1439 of the Code of Virginia, 1897, in reference to the duties of county school superintendents; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 529, A bill for the relief of Lewis B. Delaney, of Scott county, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. STEELE, by leave, presented

No. 530, A bill for the relief of Kelly and Company, requiring the refunding of \$22 paid for taxes in 1899; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. SHANDS, by leave (by request), presented

No. 531, A bill to allow sheriffs, sergeants or constables fee for making return on executions delivered to them by clerks of courts, in cases where no levy or forthcoming bond is taken; which, on

his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 532, A bill for the relief of Martha A. Finch from the payment of certain taxes assessed against her in the city of Newport News, and to refund to her certain taxes already paid; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 452, House joint resolution to fill a vacancy in the electoral board of Spotsylvania county, Virginia.

Mr. FLOOD moved to discharge the committee on privileges and elections from further consideration of the joint resolution, which was agreed to.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 283, To provide for working the roads, repairing bridges, and opening new roads in the county of Augusta, and repealing so much of the acts as affects the county of Augusta, approved February 26, 1884, February 19, 1886, February 28, 1890, March 3, 1894, and March 2, 1898.

No. 504, To incorporate the Sons and Daughters of Liberty of Westmoreland county, Virginia.

No. 481, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to empower the board of supervisors of Buchanan county to increase the salary of the judge of the county court of said county.

No. 479, To amend the ninth and eleventh sections of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act to amend the charter of the town of Warrenton, passed April 9, 1852, approved January 17, 1871, as amended by an act approved January 22, 1892.

No. 474, To authorize the district school board of Nansemond county to compensate school trustees.

No. 473, Authorizing the board of supervisors of Fauquier county to levy a tax on dogs and to enforce collection of said tax, with certain penalties in case of failure to pay the same.

No. 467, To authorize and enable the town of Warrenton to call in the outstanding bonds of the town issued pursuant to acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, and to replace them by a new issue of bonds bearing a less rate of interest, and to borrow money, and to extend the time of payment of the bonded indebtedness of the said town.

No. 456, To amend and re-enact section 1, chapter 356, of an act of assembly, approved February 17, 1896, entitled an act prescribing the time for holding the courts in the sixth judicial circuit of Virginia.

No. 466, To amend and re-enact sections 4, 5, 8, and 12 of an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, passed by both houses and became a law on the 21st day of January, 1900, entitled an act

to provide a new charter for the town of Abingdon, Virginia, and to repeal all other acts with reference thereto.

No. 143, House bill to amend and re-enact the second subdivision of section 833 of the Code of Virginia, so as to provide for the assessment of capital used or employed in the mercantile business, for local taxation, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

No. 366, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 2, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 32, chapter 1, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on license to transact business, and in paying taxes thereon, for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, or malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, relating to sale by peddlers, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to recommit to the committee on finance and banks, which was agreed to.

No. 141, House bill to amend and re-enact section 8, as amended by an act approved February 14, 1898, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. MORRIS offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed.

Mr. MORRIS, offered an amendment to the title, which was agreed to.

No. 260, House bill to authorize the common council of the city of Roanoke, in the State of Virginia, to levy and collect an annual rental for the use of sewers, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. LYLE moved to recommit to the committee on county, city and town, which was agreed to.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 263, To incorporate the Albemarle Orchard Company.

No. 262, To incorporate the Virginia Immigration Company.

Mr. LUPTON moved to reconsider the vote by which the bills were passed.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

No. 247, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 95 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the appointment of county surveyor and superintendent of the poor as to the county of Tazewell, was taken up.

Mr. ST. CLAIR moved to pass the bill notwithstanding the objections of the Governor, which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 31; noes, 3.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—31.

NOES—Messrs. Keezell, Le Cato and Tyler—3.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 159, To amend and re-enact section 4106 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 23, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 9, 1898, in relation to the jurisdiction of police justices and justices of the peace as to the trial of offenders in certain cases.

No. 444, Entitled an act to incorporate the Brunswick and Lunenburg Railroad Company.

No. 472, To incorporate the Sulphur Mining and Railroad Company.

Mr. GLASS offered the following resolution:

Whereas, a bill was introduced in the Senate on January 23, known as Senate bill No. 320, "to incorporate the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company," with a minimum capital of \$500,000, and a maximum capital of \$5,000,000; was referred, and next day reported and passed by the Senate without discussion and without that consideration which the importance of the measure would seem to have demanded; therefore—

Be it resolved, That the House of Delegates be and hereby is requested to return said Senate bill No. 320 to the Senate for such action as this body may think proper to take.

Which was agreed to.

No. 160, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 90 and 93 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on

licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 158, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 1744, 1745, 1746, 1747, 1749, 1750 and 1752 of chapter 77 of the Code, regulating the practice of medicine and surgery in Virginia, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to.

Mr. WALKER, offered an amendment, which was agreed to,

Mr. LYLE, offered the following amendment, amend by striking out on page 4 section 1747 in lines 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10, "provided said applicant shall produce before said board a diploma or other satisfactory evidence of his graduation in some medical college chartered by the State or territory in which the same is situated," which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 13; noes, 19.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Opie, St. Clair, Steele, Tate and Watkins—13.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Clavtor, Eggleston, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, McIlwaine, Morris Munford, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Whitehead—19.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

A message from the Governor by his private secretary in relation to the return of the State seal, which had been used in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, which was read as follows :

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE,

RICHMOND, VA., *February 13, 1900.*

To the General Assembly :

I have the honor of communicating to the General Assembly that the State seal which had been used in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth prior to the year 1865, and which was taken from that office by a Federal soldier at the time of the occupancy of the city by the Union forces has been returned to me to be presented to the State, by Col. Johnston L. de Peyster, late Brevet Lt. Colonel United States Volunteers. The accompanying letter of Colonel de Peyster's explains how and by whom the seal was taken, and his willingness to have returned it to the State at the first opportunity that was offered after the war. A new seal was ordered by Governor Pierpont in 1866 to take the place of this one, and since that time all necessary steps have been taken to

observe the law for using both the great and lesser seals; therefore this old seal has no intrinsic value, but it has a history in connection with the affairs of the Commonwealth, and is worthy to be preserved as one of the interesting mementoes of the past, and I therefore recommend that it be received, and retained in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and that suitable recognition of the favor be made to Colonel de Peyster for his return of this interesting relic.

Respectfully,

J. HOGE TYLER, *Governor.*

TIVOLI, NEW YORK, *February 10th, 1900.*

His Excellency J. HOGE TYLER,

Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia :

My Dear Governor,—Herewith find one of the seals of the commonwealth of Virginia, the “ lesser seal ” I judge, so named by the General Assembly of the commonwealth, October, 1779.

On the occupation of Richmond, April the 3d, 1865, General Shipley chief of staff to Major-General G. Weitzel was appointed Military Governor, and occupied certain rooms in the State House. It was there this seal was found by one of the orderlies, and was purchased by me from him. From that time until the fall of 1891 it was out of my possession, but on its being returned to me I immediately communicated with the Governor.

“ 1720 Connecticut Avenue,

WASHINGTON, D. C., *February 26, 1892.*

His Excellency the Governor of Virginia :

Dear Sir,—At the time of the occupancy of the United States Army of Richmond, Va., I had the honor to be an aid on the staff of Major-General Godfrey Weitzel, and serving as such, became possessed of the seal of your State, which I desire to turn over to you at such time and manner as you may see fit. Although originally in my hands, it has only lately been in my power to place it at the disposal of your State.

I have the honor to be your obedient servant,

(Signed) JOHNSTON L. DE PEYSTER.”

I shortly afterwards received a reply to this letter which I considered most unsatisfactory.

The incident was recently revived by yourself, and it affords me the greatest pleasure to entrust to you this old seal, to be transmitted to the commonwealth.

I have the honor to be,

Very truly yours,

JOHNSTON L. DE PEYSTER.

Mr. TYLER offered the following:

Joint resolution to extend the thanks of the General Assembly of Virginia to Col. Johnston L. de Peyster late of the U. S. Army for the restitution of the lesser seal of the commonwealth.

Whereas the Governor has communicated to this body the return to the State by Col. Johnston L. de Peyster, late of the United States Army, of the lesser seal of the commonwealth in use prior to the year 1865, which was lost at the time of the evacuation of Richmond by the Confederate government in April, 1865; therefore be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of Virginia that the thanks of this body be extended to Col. Johnston L. de Peyster for his restitution of the said seal.

Which was agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 163, Senate bill to prevent corrupt practices or bribery in elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and providing penalties and remedies for violations of this act, and declaring void under certain conditions elections in which the provisions of this act or any of them have been violated, being the special order of the day, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. BARKSDALE, passed by.

No. 343, Senate bill to provide for the examination of the books, accounts, &c., of certain public officers, and for the correction thereof, being the special order of the day, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. GLASS, passed by.

No. 244, Senate bill to regulate the employment of children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, being the special order of the day, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. LYLE, passed by.

Mr. WICKHAM submitted a report from commissioners appointed under joint resolution, which was referred to the committee on finance and banks, and ordered to be printed as Senate document No. 6.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY, 15, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Crawley.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk,
was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February, 14, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to incorporate Hampton Roads Railway and Electric Company No. 172; an act to authorize Octavius W. Hudson to erect a wharf on the Yeocomico river, in the county of Norththumberland, No. 484; an act to amend and re-enact section 664 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to redemption of delinquent lands purchased by the commonwealth, No. 40; an act to empower the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company, when formed by the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company and the Portsmouth, Pig's Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, to acquire leasehold or other estate in the Norfolk county ferries, No. 449; an act to incorporate the James River Railway Company, No. 407; and an act to authorize the heirs at law of Louisa Snowden to pay certain taxes and levies on a tract of land in Fairfax county in satisfaction and discharge of all taxes and levies assessed and charged against it, No. 426.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to provide for the better enforcement and collection of the tax now imposed by law upon shares of stock in corporations and joint-stock companies by requiring sworn lists of the stockholders of said corporations or companies resident in this State, to be filed with the auditor of public accounts and to direct the disposition of said lists and to prescribe penalties for the failure or refusal to file said lists, or the furnishing of a false list, No. 523; and an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide a roster for all the ex-Confederate soldiers living in the State of Virginia, approved January 25, 1898, No. 552.

They have agreed to the Senate amendments to House bill entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the roads in Brunswick county, No. 62.

In which it respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 523, House bill to provide for the better enforcement and collection of the tax now imposed by law upon shares of stock in corporations and joint stock companies by requiring sworn lists of the stockholders of said corporations or companies resident in this

State, to be filed with the auditor of public accounts and to direct the disposition of said lists and to prescribe penalties for the failure or refusal to file said list, or the furnishing of a false list, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 552, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide a roster of all ex-Confederate soldiers living in the State of Virginia, approved January 25, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported without amendment

No. 236, House bill to amend and re-enact section 103 of chapter 533 of acts of General Assembly of Virginia of 1895-96, entitled an act to provide a new charter for the city of Roanoke.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 343, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3524 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to allowance by boards of supervisors to clerks of circuit courts.

And he, from the same committee, reported with a recommendation that it do not pass

No. 375, House bill to amend and re-enact section 4018 of the Code of Virginia in relation to writs of *venire facias* in cases of felony, as amended and re-enacted by an act, approved February 5, 1896.

He, from the same committee, reported, asking it be referred to committee on finance and banks.

No. 402, House bill to repeal section 3830 of the Code of Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendments

No. 433, House bill requesting the State board of health and vital statistics to report as to the proper mode and place for inflicting the death penalty.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 484, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to prescribe the time for holding the circuit court for the eighth judicial circuit, and to regulate the compensation of the judge thereof, approved January 30, 1900.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 505, House bill to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act entitled an act to establish a corporation court for the city of Newport News, approved January 23, 1896.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 143, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1220 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved December 20, 1897, relative to penalty for violating sections, 1215, 1216, 1217, 1218 and 1219 of the Code of Virginia or any of them.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 390, Senate bill amending and re-enacting section 3063 of the Code of Virginia.

He, from the same committee reported, without amendment

No. 452, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2475 of the Code of Virginia with reference to lien for work done and materials furnished by artisans, mechanics, lumber dealers and others, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 16, 1896.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 456, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2614 of the Code of Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment.

No. 462, Senate bill for the purpose of giving jurisdiction to the circuit or corporation court of the city of Lynchburg, or the respective judges thereof in vacation, power to give effect to the action of the congregation of the Fifth Avenue church (Independent), Lynchburg, Va., in regard to its church property.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 514, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section one of chapter 58 of the Acts of 1889-90, approved February 11, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the appointment of assistant commissioners of accounts, and to define their duties and powers.

Mr. LE CARO, from the committee on fish and game, reported without amendments

No. 445, Senate bill to provide for the appointment of game wardens in the counties of Accomac and Northampton.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 446, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act to protect wild water fowl and other game in the counties of Accomac and Northumberland, approved March 5, 1894, as amended by, &c.

He, from the same committee, reported as a committee bill

No. 533, Senate bill to amend and re-enact independent section 5 of an act of the General Assembly of Virginia in relation to oysters, approved March 5, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 997 of the acts of Assembly of 1897, and 1898, amending and re-enacting independent sections 5 and 8, approved March 4, 1898.

And, he from the same committee, reported as a committee bill

No. 534, Senate bill to prohibit the raking, scraping and roughing of natural oysters rocks on the eastern shore side of Accomac and Northampton counties.

Mr. LE CARO, from the committee on fish and game, reported without a substitute

No. 331, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2136 of the Code of Virginia as to right of owner to plant oysters in any creek &c., within his survey.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 410, Senate bill to exempt from taxation the property of the Kings Daughters Hospital of Portsmouth, Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 442, Senate bill to charge the remainderment and tenants in reversion with taxes, levies and assessments charged against tenants for life.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 461, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 28 as heretofore amended, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, in relation to merchants' licenses, and tax on capital stock of corporations doing the business of a merchant, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. GLASS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 480, Senate bill to refund to Geo. W. Blick certain delinquent taxes paid by him.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 488, Senate bill to provide for the funding of coupon No. 7742 of the par value of \$1,000, dated August 4, 1853, and issued under an act passed by the General Assembly, May 25, 1852.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 511, Senate bill to provide for the proper assessment of mineral products within the State, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. BRUCE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. BRUCE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 512, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sub-section ninth of section 6 of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, as amended by an act approved March 8, 1894, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. BRUCE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. BRUCE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 158, House bill for the relief of Jno. C. Hall, ex-treasurer of Franklin county, to give him and his former deputies powers of levy and distress to collect certain uncollected tax tickets now in his possession, and for which he has accounted to the proper fiscal agents.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 203, House bill extending time for the collection of tax tickets in the town of Colonial Beach.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 294, House bill to exempt the Home for Friendless Children, situated in Chesterfield county, from taxation.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 364, House bill to amend and re-enact paragraph 96 of schedule F of chapter 1 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, as amended by an act approved February 24, 1894, and as amended by an act approved January 16, 1896, as far as the same relates to photographers' licenses.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 395, House bill to allow Jno. F. Swift further time within which to distrain and levy and collect certain tickets for which he has accounted to the State.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 431, House bill to refund to W. C. Andrews \$150 erroneously paid into the treasury.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 485, House bill for the relief of J. C. Stanly, deputy treasurer of Patrick county.

Mr. JEFFRIES, from the committee on library, reported with a substitute

No. 232, House bill to allow the Michie Company to publish certain reports of the decisions of the court of appeals of Virginia.

Mr. MAYNARD from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported the following committee bills:

No. 554, Senate bill to prevent persons from getting on or off trains.

No. 553, Senate bill to prevent trespassing upon railroad trains.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 535, A bill to incorporate the Herndon and Leesburg Telephone and Telegraph Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 536, A bill to amend and re-enact section 616 of the Code of 1887, as amended by an act approved January 21, 1896; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. SHANDS, by leave (by request), presented

No. 537, A bill repealing section 733 Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1890; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. SHANDS, by leave, presented

No. 538, A bill to amend and re-enact section 735 of the Code of Virginia of 1887, prescribing fees for clerks for collecting and paying to the State fines; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. GOLD, by leave, presented

No. 539, A bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 28, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 3, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 8 of chapter 61 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 9, 1890, as amended by an act approved March 30, 1887, as amended by an act approved May 21, 1887, to amend and re-enact section 12 of said chapter 61 of the Code of 1873, which is section 1190 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to turn-pike companies, approved March 5, 1896; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 540, A bill to amend and re-enact section 60 of an act approved January 28, 1884, entitled an act to amend sections 4, 12, 15, 41, 50, 52, 60, 61 and 67 of an act to provide a new charter for the city of Portsmouth, and to repeal all loans in conflict therewith, approved March 6, 1882; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 541, A bill for the relief of J. A. Painter, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 542, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to define the corporate limits and charter for the city of Williamsburg, approved March 17, 1884; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 543, A bill to incorporate the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. BLAKEY, by leave, presented

No. 544, A bill for the protection of fish and game in Occupacia creek in the county of Essex, and to prevent obstructions to navigation in said creek; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 545, A bill in relation to special damages recoverable of a telegraph company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 546, A bill to amend and re-enact section 1292 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the delivery and forwarding of dispatches, by telegraph and telephone companies; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No. 547, A bill to provide for the settlement with West Virginia of the proportion of the public debt of the original State of Virginia properly to be borne by West Virginia, and for the due protection of the Commonwealth of Virginia in the premises; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MUMFORD, by leave (by request), presented

No. 548, A bill to amend and re-enact section 661 of the Code of Virginia so as to provide additional grounds on which the title of certain purchases may be defeated, and to limit the time within which suit may be brought for that purpose; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave, presented

No. 549, A bill to repeal an act entitled "an act to prevent fire insurance companies, associations or partnerships doing business in this State, or the agents of said companies, associations or partnerships from entering into combinations to make or control rates for fire insurance on property in this State, and providing a punishment for violation of this act," approved March 1, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 550, A bill to grant the right and privilege for a term of twenty years, with right of renewal, of occupancy of certain grounds

in James river for planting and propagating oysters; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

Mr. BLAKEY, by leave, presented

No. 551, A bill to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Walkerton and Mattaponi bridge Company," approved February 24, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 552, A bill to require certain corporations to give to their discharged employees or agents to the cause of their removal when discharged or removed; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 501, House bill to allow W. J. Woods, ex-treasurer of Giles county, and all of his deputies, further time for collecting taxes in Giles county.

Mr. TATE moved to discharge the committee on finance and banks from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 490, Senate bill to incorporate the Smithfield and Norfolk Steamboat Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. SHANDS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

On his further motion, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 143, House bill to amend and re-enact the second subdivision of section 833 of the Code of Virginia, so as to provide for the assessment of capital used or employed in the mercantile business, for local taxation, was taken up.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed.

Mr. EGGLESTON moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

No. 263, House bill to incorporate the Albemarle Orchard Company, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS the Senate refused to reconsider.

No. 262, House bill to incorporate the Virginia Immigration Company, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS the Senate refused to reconsider.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 509, To incorporate the State Ferry Company of Virginia.

No. 326, To incorporate the Mutual Homestead Fire Insurance Association.

No. 475, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Mt. Vernon Avenue Association, approved February 18, 1890.

No. 476, To repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the Saltville and Mendota Railroad Company, approved March 8, 1894, and all acts amendatory thereof.

No. 452, House joint resolution to fill a vacancy in the electoral board of Spotsylvania county, Virginia.

No. 463, House bill to incorporate the Ballston Railroad Company, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. DONOHUE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 299, House bill to prevent riotous or disorderly conduct on any car or caboose or on any part of a train carrying passengers or employees of any railroad or street passenger railway, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to and passed.

The committee amended the title, which was agreed to.

No. 264, House bill to incorporate the State Council of Virginia Junior Order of United American Mechanics of the State of Virginia, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. CLAYTOR offered an amendment, which was rejected, and passed with its title.

Mr. BARKSDALE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 423, House bill to provide for the purchase of toll roads or turnpikes in certain magisterial districts, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. GOLD offered an amendment.

No. 163, Senate bill to prevent corrupt practices or bribery in elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and providing penalties and remedies for violations of this act, and declaring void under certain conditions elections in which the provisions of this act or any of them have been violated, being the special order of the day, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. BARKSDALE, passed by.

No. 343, Senate bill to provide for the examination of the books, accounts, &c., of certain public officers and for the correction thereof, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. CLAYTOR offered an amendment, which was rejected.

Committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed on motion of Mr. GLASS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 28; noes 2.

Senators who voted are :

Ayes—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, St. Cair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—28.

Noes—Messrs. Claytor and Cogbill—2.

Mr. GLASS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. GOLD stated that he was paired with Mr. JAMES, were he present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles.

No. 160, To amend and re-enact sections 90 and 93 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required.

No. 158, To amend and re-enact sections 1744, 1745, 1746, 1747 1749, 1750 and 1752 of chapter 77 of the Code, regulating the practice of medicine and surgery in Virginia.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time :

No. 494, To repeal sections 2194, 2195, 2196, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend and re-enact section 2214 of the Code of Virginia with reference to inspection of cattle brought into the State from South of State or Federal quarantine line.

No. 501, To establish the Wise school district in Wise county, providing the mode of appointing trustees and for levying tax for district school purposes therein, and authorizing the trustees to apply money collected to payment of teachers salaries, etc.

No. 305, To amend and re-enact the charter of the town of Chatham.

No. 526, To incorporate the St. Andrew's Association.

No. 516, To authorize and empower the school trustees of Chatham school district, of Pittsylvania county, to sell and convey certain lands.

No. 520, To permit N. Z. Oakley to erect a wharf in Moratico creek, in Richmond county.

No. 489, To ratify and confirm charter of the Richmond Union Stock Yards Company.

No. 417, Senate bill to incorporate the Negro Agricultural and

Industrial Society of Virginia, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. COGBILL (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 224, Senate bill in relation to the power, duties and compensation of the State Board of Health, was taken up, read the second time, committee substitute adopted, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 406, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of chapter 633 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, session 1893-'94, entitled an act imposing a tax on building and loan associations, approved March 5, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 8, 1898, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. EGGLESTON offered an amendment, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 405, Senate bill to incorporate the Virginia State Horticultural Society and to define its powers and duties.

The committee on agricultural, mining and manufacturing reported that it be referred to the committee on finance and banks, which was agreed to.

No. 425, Senate bill for the relief of D. H. Bragonier, a justice of the peace for the city of Winchester, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. LUPTON indefinitely postponed.

No. 493, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13 and to repeal sections 15 of an act entitled an act to provide for the protection of domestic animals, and to authorize and empower the board of control of the experiment station of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg, to establish live stock quarantine lines, rules and regulations, and to provide penalties for violating the same, approved February 18, 1896, authorizing board of supervisors to quarantine against other counties under certain conditions and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. KEEZELL offered an amendment which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 213, Senate bill declaring certain streams in Powhatan county to be highways, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 274, Senate bill to repeal sections 2194, 2195, 2196, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend and re-enact section 2214 of Code of Virginia, with reference to inspection of cattle brought into the State, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to indefinitely postpone, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. KEEZELL, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, February 15, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act for the creation of a corporation to be known as the Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Newport News Railway Company by the consolidation with the East Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company, and the Portsmouth, Pigs Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry and Hotel Company, and to define its powers, approved on the seventeenth day of January 1900, No. 447 ; an act to authorize the consolidation of the Port Norfolk Electric Railway Company, the Portsmouth and Smithfield Railroad Company, and the Portsmouth, Pigs Point and Newport News Railway, Ferry, and Hotel Company, into a corporation to be known as the Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Newport News Railway Company, and to define its powers, No. 448 ; an act to amend and re-enact section 12, chapter C, of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Danville, approved February 17, 1890, and to amend and re-enact section 1, chapter 8, of said act, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved December 18, 1897, entitled an act to amend section 1, chapter 8, of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Danville, approved February 17, 1890, No. 450 ; an act to incorporate the Westminster School of Richmond, Virginia, No. 470 ; an act to authorize the county court and board of supervisors of Cumberland county to allow a monument to the Confederate dead, to be erected on the public square of said county, No. 498 ; an act in relation to judgments, &c., in Appomattox county, No. 90 ; and an act to incorporate the John Marshall Memorial Association, No. 433.

They have dismissed Senate bill entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Telephone Telegraph Company, No. 320.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads in the counties of Alleghany, Bath and Highland, approved February 12, 1884, No. 392; an act to amend and re-enact section 1292 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the delivery and forwarding of dispatches by telegraph and telephone companies, No. 500; an act to provide a new charter for the city of Bristol, and to repeal all other acts or parts of acts or charters in conflict therewith, No. 502; an act to provide for working and keeping in repair the roads and bridges in Russell county, and to authorize the board of supervisors to borrow money for said purpose, and to repeal an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act to provide for working roads in Russell county, approved February 25, 1892, No. 503; an act to amend and re-enact section 957 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to pay of viewers, commissioners, surveyors and chain carriers, No. 508; an act to provide for making, building, and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in Grayson county, No. 510; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Elizabeth City county, to tax sale of liquor in the said county, approved February 29, 1892, No. 511; an act to incorporate the Help and Protection Society of King George county, Virginia, No. 512; an act to incorporate the Sons and Daughters of Solomon, of King George county, Virginia, No. 513; an act to amend and re-enact section 61 of an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, approved January 16, 1896, No. 514; an act to allow B. L. Farinholt to enlarge the area of the pier-head to his wharf at Monaskon, on the Rappahannock river, No. 515; an act to incorporate the Marion Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, No. 519; an act to amend and re-enact section 3805 of the Code of Virginia, in regard to the disturbances of religious worship, and how the same shall be punished, No. 520; an act to define a lawful fence in a portion of Massie's Mill district in Nelson county, No. 525; an act to amend and re-enact section 18 of an act entitled an act providing a charter for the city of Norfolk, and repealing the existing charter approved April 21, 1882, in force January 21, 1884, as to the powers of the councils of the city of Norfolk, and restrictions on the councils in passing certain resolutions and ordinances, No. 526; an act authorizing the members of the councils of the city of Norfolk, from Atlantic City ward, to vote on all questions, No. 527; an act to amend and re-enact section 27 of an act entitled an act providing a charter for the city of Norfolk, and repealing the existing charter approved April 21, 1882, in force January 21, 1884, as to the election of a police justice and other justices of the peace, No. 528; an act giving power to the councils of the city of Norfolk to require owners of property abutting on streets, or to require the city to pave or keep in repair, or both

pave and keep in repair, the sidewalks and giving the councils power, acting through a board or committee, after notice to the owner or occupant that the owner shall build or repair, and his neglect to do so, to build or repair the walk and have the costs thereof assessed as a lien against the property and imposing a penalty for violation of ordinances passed in pursuance thereof, No. 529; an act to authorize the council of the town of Covington, in the county of Alleghany, to borrow money for the purpose of purchasing, erecting, constructing, and maintaining a system of water works for said town, No. 531; an act to amend and re-enact section 65 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, approved January 16, 1896, No. 532; an act to amend and re-enact section 84 of an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896, No. 533; an act to authorize F. M. Thrift to erect a wharf on Yeocomico river, in Westmoreland county, No. 534; an act for the relief of T. B. Trevillian, sergeant of the town of Ashland, Virginia, No. 535; an act to allow G. W. Mercer and Sons to build a wharf in Rappahannock river near Cherry Point, Lancaster county, No. 539; an act to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Pulaski county to increase the levy in the school districts of Dublin, Newbern, and Pulaski, in said county for school purposes, No. 540; an act to authorize the county court and board of supervisors of Pulaski county to grant the right to erect a monument to the Confederate dead of said county on the courthouse square, or upon such other lot as may be selected by said board, and to authorize the board to levy a tax to pay for such lot, No. 541; an act to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Pulaski county to borrow the sum of \$2,500.00 to be expended in opening and constructing a public road, to execute the bonds of the county therefor, and levy a tax to pay the same, No. 542; an act to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act authorizing the board of supervisors of each county in the State to levy a tax on dogs and to enforce collection of said tax, with certain penalties in case of failure to pay the same, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, as to Prince William and Shenandoah counties, No. 544; an act to amend and re-enact section two of an act entitled an act extending and defining the boundaries of the town of Hampton upon conditions, approved January 30, 1900, No. 547; an act to permit A. A. McAllister, of the county of Alleghany, to change the bed of Dunlap's creek, near its mouth, through his own lands, near the town of Covington, in said county, No. 548; an act to allow George W. Conner to erect a wharf in front of his land, in Accomac county, No. 549; an act to allow H. L. Newbill to erect an oyster house or pier in Essex county, No. 550; an act to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in Patrick county, No. 551; an act to allow E. W. Sims, treasurer of Greene

county further time within which to distrain, levy, and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State, No. 545 ; an act for the relief of Caroline Pool and her sureties from the payment of fines imposed by a justice of the peace of Grayson county, and confirmed by the county court of said county, for selling spirituous liquors without a State license so to do, No. 430 ; an act to amend and re-enact sub-section seven of section 3214, Code of Virginia, edition of 1887, providing how judge of a circuit court may be sued, or where sued before he is elected judge, when the suit may be removed to any county or corporation in an adjoining circuit, No. 434 ; an act for the relief of the Virginia Military Institute, No. 461 ; an act for the relief of Charles E. Blankenship, No. 462 ; an act to relieve Mary M. Smith from taxes improperly assessed against 117 acres of land in Henry district, in Hanover county, Virginia, No. 492 ; an act for the relief of R. M. Robinette, of the city of Roanoke, for the payment of a fine imposed by the hustings court of Roanoke city, No. 493 ; an act for the relief of Bettie D. Powell, for taxes erroneously assessed to Edward C. Pollard, and paid by her, No. 494 ; an act for the relief of J. Massie Smith, No. 495 ; an act for the relief of Mary E. Sawyer, No. 496 ; and an act to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia as heretofore amended in relation to sale of delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor, No. 252.

In which they respectfully request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 392, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads in the counties of Alleghany, Bath, and Highland, approved February 12, 1884, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 500, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1292 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the delivery and forwarding of dispatches by telegraph and telephone companies, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 502, House bill to provide a new charter for the city of Bristol, and to repeal all other acts or parts of acts or charters in conflict therewith, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. STEELE, (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 503, House bill to provide for working and keeping in repair the roads and bridges in Russell county, and to authorize the board of supervisors to borrow money for said purpose, and to repeal an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act to provide for working roads in Russell county, approved February 25, 1892, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 508, House bill to amend and re-enact section 957 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to pay of viewers, commissioners, surveyors and chain carriers, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 510, House bill to provide for making, building, and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in Grayson county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 511, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Elizabeth City county to tax sale of liquor in the said county, approved February 29, 1892; was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 512, House bill to incorporate the Help and Protection Society of King George county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALLACE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 513, House bill to incorporate the Sons and Daughters of Solomon, of King George county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read and on motion of Mr. WALLACE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 514, House bill to amend and re-enact section 61 of an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, approved January 16, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 515, House bill to allow B. L. Farinholt to enlarge the area of the pier-head to his wharf at Monaskon, on the Rappahannock river, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALLACE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 519, House bill to incorporate the Marion Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. STEELE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 520, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3805 of the Code of Virginia, in regard to the disturbances of religious worship, and how the same shall be punished, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 525, House bill to define a lawful fence in a portion of Massie's Mill district in Nelson county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 526, House bill to amend and re-enact section 18 of an act entitled an act providing a charter for the city of Norfolk, and repealing the existing charter approved April 21, 1882, in force January 21, 1884, as to the powers of the councils of the city of Norfolk, and restrictions on the councils in passing certain resolutions and ordinances, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 527, House bill authorizing the members of the councils of the city of Norfolk, from Atlantic City ward, to vote on all questions, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 528, House bill to amend and re-enact section 27 of an act entitled an act providing a charter for the city of Norfolk, and repealing the existing charter approved April 21, 1882, in force January 21, 1884, as to the election of a police justice and other justices of the peace, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 529, House bill giving power to the councils of the city of Norfolk to require owners of property abutting on streets, or to require the city to pave or keep in repair, or both pave and keep in repair, the sidewalks and giving the councils power, acting through a board or committee, after notice to the owner or occupant that the owner shall build or repair and his neglect to do so, to build or repair the walk and have the costs thereof assessed as a lien against the property and imposing a penalty for violation of ordinances passed in pursuance thereof, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 531, House bill to authorize the council of the town of Covington, in the county of Alleghany, to borrow money for the purpose of purchasing, erecting, constructing and maintaining a system of water works for said town, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 532, House bill to amend and re-enact section 65 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, approved January 16, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 533, House bill to amend and re-enact section 84 of an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 534, House bill to authorize F. M. Thrift to erect a wharf on Yeocomico river, in Westmoreland county, was taken up, twice read and on motion of Mr. LURTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 535, House bill for the relief of T. B. Trevillian, sergeant of the town of Ashland, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 539, House bill to allow G. W. Mercer and Sons to build a wharf in Rappahannock river, near Cherry Point, Lancaster

county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LUPTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 540, House Bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Pulaski county to increase the levy in the school districts of Dublin, Newbern, and Pulaski, in said county, for school purposes, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 541, House bill to authorize the county court and board of supervisors of Pulaski county to grant the right to erect a monument to the Confederate dead of said county on the courthouse square, or upon such other lot as may be selected by said board, and to authorize the board to levy a tax to pay for such lot, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 542, House bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Pulaski county to borrow the sum of \$2,500.00 to be expended in opening and constructing a public road, to execute the bonds of the county therefor, and levy a tax to pay the same, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 544, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3, of an act entitled an act authorizing the board of supervisors of each county in the state to levy a tax on dogs, and to enforce collection of said tax, with certain penalties in case of failure to pay the same, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, as to Prince William and Shenandoah counties, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 547, House bill to amend and re-enact section two of an act entitled an act, extending and defining the boundaries of the town of Hampton upon conditions, approved January 30, 1900, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 548, House bill to permit A. A. McAllister, of the county of Alleghany, to change the bed of Dunlap's creek, near its mouth, through his own lands, near the town of Covington, in said county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 549, House bill to allow George W. Conner to erect a wharf in front of his land in Accomac county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 550, House bill to allow H. L. Newbill to erect an oyster-house or pier in Essex county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 551, House bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in Patrick county, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 545, House bill to allow E. W. Sims, treasurer of Greene

county, further time within which to distrain, levy, and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 430, House bill for the relief of Caroline Pool and her sureties from the payment of fines imposed by a justice of the peace of Grayson county and confirmed by the county court of said county for selling spirituous liquors without a State license so to do, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 434, House bill to amend and re-enact sub-section seven of section 3214, Code of Virginia, edition of 1887, providing how judge of a circuit court may be sued, or where sued before he is elected judge, when the suit may be removed to any county or corporation in an adjoining circuit, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 461, House bill for the relief of the Virginia Military Institute, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 462, House bill for the relief of Charles E. Blankenship, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 492, House bill to relieve Mary M. Smith from taxes improperly assessed against 117 acres of land in Henry district, in Hanover county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 493, House bill for the relief of R. M. Robinette, of the city of Roanoke, for the payment of a fine imposed by the hustings court of Roanoke city, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 494, House bill for the relief of Bettie D. Powell, for taxes erroneously assessed to Edward C. Pollard, and paid by her, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 495, House bill for the relief of J. Massie Smith, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 496, House bill for the relief of Mary E. Sawyer, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 252, House bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, as heretofore amended, in relation to sale of delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 555, A bill to authorize the city of Portsmouth to issue bonds to construct sewerage and to continue the paving and grading the streets in the fifth ward; which, on his motion, was read

the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 556, A bill to incorporate the Tidewater and West Virginia Railroad Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 557, A bill to incorporate the Tidewater Insurance Company of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 558, A bill for relief of Cumberland G. Bradshaw, a disabled Confederate soldier, of Culpeper county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 559, A bill to amend and re-enact section 373 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to prescribe the mode of appointment, term of office, and duties of the adjutant-general, approved March 3, 1892, in relation to the salary of the adjutant-general; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. STEELE, by leave, presented

No. 562, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Saltville and to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Saltville, approved February 7, 1896; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 563, A bill for the relief of W. L. Savage, of Henrico county, a confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee on courts of justice, reported with a substitute

No. 1, Senate bill to provide for submitting to the qualified voters of the State the question of calling a constitutional convention, to be held for the purpose of revising and amending the present constitution, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD, made the special and continuing order for Wednesday February 21st, at one P. M.

Mr. WICKHAM moved that the substitute be printed, which was agreed to.

And he, from the same committee, reported with a substitute

No. 473, Senate bill to validate acknowledgements to deeds, leases, and contracts taken by certain commissioners of the county court of Scott, Lee, Wise, Dickenson, and Buchanan counties.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported with amendments

No. 492, Senate bill to protect the interest of the State of Virginia in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company by inhibiting the execution of certain traffic contracts, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD, made the special and continuing order for Tuesday, February 20, at 12.45 o'clock, and ordered printed.

He, from the same committee, reported with a substitute

No. 342, Senate bill to incorporate the Richmond and Washington Air Line Railway Company, upon certain conditions, with respect to the sale of the State's interest in the Richmond and Fredericksburg Railroad Company, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD, made the special and continuing order for Tuesday, February 20, at 12.45 o'clock, and ordered printed.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 561, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 420 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 12, 1894, in relation to the use by the commissioners of the sinking fund of any surplus money in the treasury in the purchase of bonds of the State issued under the acts of February 14, 1882, and February 20, 1892, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD, made the special and continuing order for Tuesday, February 20, at 12.45 o'clock, and ordered printed.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 560, Senate bill to empower and instruct the board of sinking fund commissioners to sell the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, and to repeal an act entitled an act to empower and instruct the board of sinking fund commissioners to sell the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, and to invest the proceeds of sale in century bonds, approved March 3, 1894, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD, made the special and continuing order for Tuesday, February 20, at 12.45 o'clock, and ordered printed.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to print two hundred and fifty extra copies of the report of the West Virginia debt commission; which was agreed to.

No. 423, House bill to provide for the purchase of toll roads or turnpikes in certain magisterial districts, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. FAIRFAX offered an amendment.

Mr. FLOOD moved to pass the bill by until Monday, which was agreed to.

No. 444, House bill to incorporate the Saltville Railway Company, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendment agreed to, and passed with its title.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 177, To incorporate Virginia Transportation Company.

No. 484, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to prescribe the time for holding the circuit court for the eighth judicial circuit, and to regulate the compensation of the judge thereof, approved January 30, 1900.

No. 433, Requesting the State Board of Health and Vital Statistics to report as to the proper mode and place for inflicting the death penalty.

No. 343, To amend and re-enact section 3524 of the Code of Virginia in reference to allowance by boards of supervisors to clerks of circuit courts.

No. 236, To amend and re-enact section 103 of chapter 533 of Acts of General Assembly of Virginia of 1895-6, entitled an act to provide a new charter for the city of Roanoke.

No. 505, To amend and re-enact section 9 of an act entitled an act to establish a corporation court for the city of Newport News, approved January 23, 1896.

No. 232, House bill to allow the Michie Company to publish certain reports of the decisions of the Court of Appeals of Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, committee substitute adopted and passed with its title.

No. 402, House bill to repeal section 3830 of the Code of Virginia, was taken up.

The committee for courts of justice asked to be relieved from further consideration of the bill, and that it be referred to the committee on finance and banks, which was agreed to.

No. 375, House bill to amend and re-enact section 4018 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to writs of *venire facias* in cases of felony, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 5, 1896, was taken up, read the third time, and rejected.

No. 203, House bill extending the time for the collection of tax tickets in the town of Colonial Beach, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 158, House bill for the relief of John C. Hall, ex-treasurer of Franklin county, to give him and his former deputies powers of levy and distress to collect certain uncollected tax tickets now in his possession, and for which he has accounted to the proper fiscal agents, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 485, House bill for the relief of J. C. Stanly, deputy treasurer

of Patrick county, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 431, House bill to refund to W. C. Andrews \$150.00 erroneously paid into the treasury, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 23; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, James, Jeffries, Lupton, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—23.

NOES—None.

No. 395, House bill to allow John S. Swift further time within which to distrain and levy and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 294, House bill to exempt the Home for Friendless Children, situated in Chesterfield county, from taxation, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 22; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, James, Jeffries, Lupton, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—22.

NOES—None.

No. 364, House bill to amend and re-enact paragraph 96 of schedule F of chapter 1 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, as amended by an act approved February 24, 1894, and as amended by an act approved January 16, 1896, as far as the same relates to photographers' licenses, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 163, Senate bill to prevent corrupt practices or bribery in elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and providing penalties and remedies for violations of this act, and declaring void under certain conditions elections in which the provisions of this act or any of them have been violated, being the special order of the day, was taken up.

Mr. FLOOD moved to pass by until Wednesday, February 21, at 1 o'clock P. M.

No. 244, Senate bill to regulate the employment of children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, being the special order of the day, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. McILWAIN passed by.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 406, To amend and re-enact section 2 of chapter 633 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, session 1893-'94, entitled an act imposing a tax on building and loan associations, approved March 5, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 8, 1898.

No. 494, To repeal sections 2194, 2195, 2196, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend and re-enact section 2214 of the Code of Virginia with reference to inspection of cattle brought into the State from South of State or Federal quarantine line.

No. 501, To establish the Wise school district in Wise county, providing the mode of appointing trustees and for levying tax for district school purposes therein, and authorizing the trustees to apply money collected to payment of teachers salaries, etc.

No. 213, Declaring certain streams in Powhatan county to be highways.

No. 305, To amend and re-enact the charter of the town of Chatham.

No. 526, To incorporate the St. Andrew's Association.

No. 516, To authorize and empower the school trustees of Chatham school district, of Pittsylvania county, to sell and convey certain lands.

No. 520, To permit N. Z. Oakley to erect a wharf in Moratico creek, in Richmond county.

No. 489, To ratify and confirm the charter of the Richmond Union Stock Yards.

No. 493, To amend and re-enact sections 8, 9, 10, 11 and 13 and to repeal section 15 of an act entitled an act to provide for the protection of domestic animals, and to authorize and empower the board of control of the experiment station of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg, to establish live stock quarantine lines, rules and regulations, and to provide penalties for violating the same, approved February 18, 1896, authorizing board of supervisors to quarantine against other counties under certain conditions and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act.

No. 64, Senate bill to amend and re-enact chapter 20 of the Acts

of Assembly of 1897-1898, to prescribe and regulate the procedure by which unpaid subscriptions to joint stock companies may be recovered by said companies, their creditors, receivers, trustees, assignees, and any other persons, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. MANN made the special and continuing order for Monday, February 19th, at 1 P. M.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time :

No. 534, To prohibit the raking, scraping, and roughing of natural oyster rocks on the eastern or ocean side of Accomac and Northampton counties.

No. 533, To amend and re-enact independent section 5 of an act of the General Assembly of Virginia in relation to oysters, approved March 5, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 997 of the acts of Assembly of 1897, and 1898, amending and re-enacting independent sections 5 and 8, approved March 4, 1898.

No. 544, For the protection of fish and game in Occupacia creek, in the county of Essex, and to prevent obstructions to navigation in said creek.

No. 540, To amend and re-enact section 60 of an act approved January 28, 1884, entitled an act to amend sections 4, 12, 15, 41, 50, 52, 60, 61 and 67 of an act to provide a new charter for the city of Portsmouth, and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith, approved March 6, 1882.

No. 539, To amend and re-enact an act approved February 28, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 3, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 8 of chapter 61 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 9, 1890, as amended by an act approved March 30, 1887, as amended by an act approved May 21, 1887, to amend and re-enact section 12 of said chapter 61 of the Code of 1873, which is section 1196 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to turn-pike companies, approved March 5, 1896.

No. 514, To amend and re-enact section 1 of chapter 58 of the Acts of 1889-90, approved February 11, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the appointment of assistant commissioners of accounts, and to define their duties and powers.

No. 462, For the purpose of giving jurisdiction to the circuit or corporation court of the city of Lynchburg, or the respective judges thereof in vacation, power to give effect to the action of the congregation of the Fifth Avenue church (Independent), Lynchburg, Va., in regard to its church property.

No. 456, To amend and re-enact section 2614 of the Code of Virginia.

No. 390, Amending and re-enacting section 3063 of the Code of Virginia.

No. 410, To exempt from taxation the property of the King's Daughters' Hospital, of Portsmouth, Virginia.

No. 446, To amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled "and act to protect wild water-fowl and other game in the counties of Accomac and Northampton, approved March 5, 1894," as amended by, &c.

No. 445, To provide for the appointment of game wardens in the counties of Accomac and Northampton.

No. 480, To refund to George W. Blick certain delinquent taxes paid by him.

No. 179, Senate bill to repeal chapter 81 of the Code, and to repeal an act approved February 29, 1888, entitled an act to further define the duties and enlarge the powers of the Commissioner of Agriculture, and an act approved March 5, 1888, entitled an act to provide for a Board of Agriculture of Virginia, and making appropriation therefor, and to reform the department of agriculture, provide for the appointment of a Commissioner and Board of Agriculture, define the duties of the Commissioner and Board; to regulate the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers and impose a tax on said fertilizers, was taken up, read the second time, committee substitute adopted, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 143, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1220 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved December 20, 1897, relative to penalty for violating sections 1215, 1216, 1217, 1218, and 1219 of the Code of Virginia, or any of them, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed on motion of Mr. JAMES (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. JAMES moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 452, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2475 of the Code of Virginia with reference to lien for work done and materials furnished by artisans, mechanics, lumber dealers and others, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 16, 1896, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed on motion of Mr. FOSTER (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 488, Senate bill to provide for the funding of coupon bond No. 7742 of the par value of \$1,000, dated August 4, 1853, and issued under an act passed by the General Assembly, May 25, 1852, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read the third time.

No. 553, Senate bill to prevent trespassing upon railroad companies, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion

of Mr. WATKINS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 554, Senate bill to prevent persons getting on and off trains, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WATKINS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed.

Mr. WICKHAM offered an amendment to the title, which was agreed to.

No. 110, Senate bill to prevent persons riding on freight or passenger trains of any railroad in this commonwealth, without authority having been first obtained from said railroad company, was taken up.

Mr. WATKINS moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. CLAYTOR the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Crawley.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 16, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code as amended by an act approved February 17, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3192 of the Code of Virginia in reference to who may practice law in this State, No. 65; an act to amend and re-enact section 11 of an act entitled an act to create the board of fisheries, define its duties, and fix the salaries of its members, approved February 7, 1898, No. 466; an act to amend and re-enact an act to incorporate the Danville and Riverside Railway Company, approved January 30, 1896, No. 391; an act for the relief of William H. Brauer, treasurer of Henrico county, No. 459; and an act to provide that planters to whom natural oyster rocks have been assigned through mistake shall have a reasonable time to remove their planted oysters therefrom, &c., No. 467.

They have passed a substitute to Senate bill entitled an act in relation to the effect of evidence in suits upon insurance policy as to immaterial allegations in the policy, No. 41.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bills entitled an act to change the name of the Elizabeth Night Ferry Company to the Elizabeth River Ferry Company, and to amend an re-enact sections 1, 2 and 3 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Elizabeth Night Ferry Company, approved January 15, 1900, No. 160; an act to incorporate the Spotsylvania Telephone Company, No. 465; and an act to allow C. W. Thomas, treasurer of the city of Roanoke, further time to collect certain tax tickets in his hands, No. 342.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3147 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to when and how court or judge may order greater number of jurors; duty of clerks in such cases; issue *venire facias* as amended and re-enacted by an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3146 and 3147 of the Code of Virginia in relation to jurors, No. 453; an act to amend and re-enact section 3146 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3146 and 3147 of the Code of Virginia in relation to jurors, No. 454; an act to amend and re-enact section 3152 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to how courts may discharge jurors or dispense with their attendance and provide for the time of service of jurors, and how any person may be disqualified to serve on any jury, No. 455; an act to amend and re-enact section 3142 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to judges of county, corporation courts to prepare annually lists of jurors, No. 457; an act to amend and re-enact section 3144 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to names of jurors to be written on separate ballots, ballots to be folded and deposited in a secure box, No. 458; an act to amend and re-enact section 3988 of the Code, as amended by an act approved February 26, 1894, in regard to commissioners, sheriffs, constables, &c., to give information of violation of penal laws to attorney for the commonwealth, No. 374; and an act to amend the title to and re-enact an act entitled an act to empower the board of supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight to borrow money, approved January 13, 1900, No. 569.

In which they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 41, Senate bill in relation to the effect of evidence in suits upon insurance policy as to immaterial allegations in the policy, with House substitute, was taken up.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to concur in House substitute, which was agreed to.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 453, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3147 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to when and how court or judge may order greater number of jurors; duty of clerks in such case; issue *venire facias*, as amended and re-enacted by an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3146 and 3147 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to jurors, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 454, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3146 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3146 and 3147, of the Code of Virginia, in relation to jurors, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 455, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3152 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to how courts may discharge jurors or dispense with their attendance and provide for the time of service of jurors, and how any person may be disqualified to serve on any jury, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 457, House bill to amend and re-enact section thirty-one hundred and forty-two of the Code of Virginia, in relation to judges of county, corporation courts to prepare annually lists of jurors, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 458, House bill to amend and re-enact section thirty-one hundred and forty-four of the Code of Virginia, in relation to names of jurors to be written on separate ballots, ballots to be folded and deposited in a secure box, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 374, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3988 of the Code, as amended by an act approved February 26, 1894, in regard to commissioners, sheriffs, constables, &c., to give information of violation of penal laws to attorney for the commonwealth, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 569, House bill to amend the title to and re-enact an act entitled an act to empower the board of supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight to borrow money, approved January 13th, 1900, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MORRIS, from the committee on public institutions and education, reported with amendments

No. 487, Senate bill to create Ettrick's sub-school district in Matoaca school district of Chesterfield county. The bill was subsequently taken up, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave (by request), presented

No. 564, A bill to amend and re-enact section 1913 of chapter

86 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the standard of cord measure and of agricultural products, in relation to the standard weight of cotton seed, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 24, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 565, A bill to authorize and empower the school trustees of the Clearfork school district of Tazewell county, Virginia, to sell and convey certain school property; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 566, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3271 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 22, 1900, in reference to demurrers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. DONOHUE presented a petition of District Lodge, No. 13, I. O. G. T., for the repeal of the law for Alexandria county, which took from the county court the power to pass on applications for liquor licenses and vesting it in an excise board; which was referred to the committee on finance and banks.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 502, To provide a new charter for the city of Bristol, and to repeal all other acts or parts of acts or charters in conflict therewith.

No. 545, To allow E. W. Sims, treasurer of Greene county, further time within which to distrain, levy, and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State.

No. 542, To authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Pulaski county to borrow the sum of \$2,500.00 to be expended in opening and constructing a public road, to execute the bonds of the county therefor, and to levy a tax to pay the same.

No. 541, To authorize the county court and board of supervisors of Pulaski county to grant the right to erect a monument to the Confederate dead of said county on the courthouse square, or upon such other lot as may be selected by said board, and to authorize the board to levy a tax to pay for such lot.

No. 540, To authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Pulaski county to increase the levy in the school districts of Dublin, Newburn, and Pulaski, in said county, for school purposes.

No. 539, To allow G. W. Mercer and Sons to build a wharf in Rappahannock river, near Cherry Point, Lancaster county.

No. 535, For the relief of T. B. Trevillian, sergeant of the town of Ashland, Virginia.

No. 534, To authorize F. M. Thrift to erect a wharf on Yeocomico river, in Westmoreland county.

No. 531, To authorize the council of the town of Covington, in the county of Alleghany, to borrow money for the purpose of purchasing, erecting, constructing and maintaining a system of water works for said town.

No. 529, Giving power to the councils of the city of Norfolk to require owners of property abutting on streets, or to require the city to pave or keep in repair, or both pave and keep in repair the sidewalks, and giving the councils power, acting through a board or committee, after notice to the owner or occupant that the owner shall build or repair and his neglect to do so, to build or repair the walk and have the costs thereof assessed as a lien against the property and imposing a penalty for violation of ordinances passed in pursuance thereof.

No. 528, To amend and re-enact section 27 of an act entitled an act providing a charter for the city of Norfolk, and repealing the existing charter approved April 21, 1882, in force January 21, 1884, as to the election of a police justice and other justices of the peace.

No. 527, Authorizing the members of the councils of the city of Norfolk, from Atlantic City ward, to vote on all questions.

No. 519, To incorporate the Marion Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

No. 515, To allow B. L. Farinholt to enlarge the area of the pier-head to his wharf at Monaskon, on the Rappahannock river.

No. 503, To provide for working and keeping in repair the roads and bridges in Russell county, and to authorize the board of supervisors to borrow money for said purpose, and to repeal an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act to provide for working roads in Russell county, approved February 25, 1892.

No. 513, To incorporate the Sons and Daughters of Solomon, of King George county, Virginia.

No. 512, To incorporate the Help and Protection Society of King George county, Virginia.

No. 526, House bill to amend and re-enact section 18 of an act entitled an act providing a charter for the city of Norfolk, and repealing the existing charter, approved April 21, 1882, in force January 21, 1884, as to the powers of the councils of the city of Norfolk, and restrictions on the councils in passing certain resolutions and ordinances, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. FOSTER offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 306. House bill to amend, consolidate and re-enact chapter

thirty-one (31) acts of 1872-73, approved January 16, 1873, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Covington in the county of Alleghany, and chapter 774 acts of 1895-96 March 4, 1896, entitled an act authorizing the election of a town assessor for the town of Covington, in Alleghany county, Virginia, relating to the charter and corporate limits of the town of Covington, and to extend the corporate limits of said town and enlarge its powers.

Mr. FLOOD moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town, from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. FLOOD moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 534, To prohibit the raking, scraping, and roughing of natural oyster rocks on the eastern or ocean side of Accomac and Northampton counties.

No. 533, To amend and re-enact independent section 5 of an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, in relation to oysters, approved March 5, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 997 of the Acts of Assembly of 1897 and 1898, amending and re-enacting independent sections 5 and 8, approved March 4, 1898.

No. 544, For the protection of fish and game in Occupacia creek, in the county of Essex, and to prevent obstructions to navigation in said creek.

No. 540, To amend and re-enact section 60 of an act approved January 28, 1884, entitled an act to amend sections 4, 12, 15, 41, 50, 52, 60, 61, and 67 of an act to provide a new charter for the city of Portsmouth and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith, approved March 6, 1882.

No. 539, To amend and re-enact an act approved February 28, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 3, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 8 of chapter 61 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 9, 1890, as amended by an act approved March 30 1887, as amended by an act approved May 21, 1887, to amend and re-enact section 12 of said chapter 61 of the Code of 1873, which is section 1196 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to turnpike companies, approved March 5, 1896.

No. 514, To amend and re-enact section 1 of chapter 58 of the Acts of 1889-90, approved February 11, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the appointment of assistant commissioners of accounts, and to define their duties and powers.

No. 462, For the purpose of giving jurisdiction to the circuit or corporation court of the city of Lynchburg, or the respective judges thereof in vacation, power to give effect to the action of the con-

gregation of the Fifth Avenue church (Independent), Lynchburg, Va., in regard to its church property.

No. 456, To amend and re-enact section 2614 of the Code of Virginia.

No. 446, To amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled "an act to protect wild water-fowl and other game in the counties of Accomac and Northampton, approved March 5, 1894," as amended by, &c.

No. 445, To provide for the appointment of Game Wardens in the counties of Accomac and Northampton.

No. 399, Senate bill to create and maintain a State Board of Crop Pest Commissioners and define their powers, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 555, Senate bill to authorize the city of Portsmouth to issue bonds to construct sewerage and to continue the paving and grading the streets in the fifth ward, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 331, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2136 of the Code of Virginia, as to right of owner to plant oysters in any creek, &c., within his survey, was taken up, read the second time, committee substitute adopted, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 473, Senate bill to validate acknowledgements to deeds, leases and contracts taken by certain commissioners of the county court of Scott, Lee, Wise, Dickenson and Buchanan counties, was taken up, read the second time, committee substitute adopted, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

On motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR the Senate adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY, 19, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February, 17, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to incorporate the Yorktown, Poquoson and Hampton Railway

Company, No 275; and an act to amend and re-enact section 23 of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, and also to amend and re-enact section 25 of the same act as amended by an act approved March 3, 1898, so as to impose an additional tax upon telegraph and express companies, No. 319.

They have agreed to the amendment of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to allow the Michie Company to publish certain reports of the decisions of the court of appeals of Virginia, No. 232.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Carroll to let to contract the roads of said county, and levy a tax to keep the same in order, approved February 29, 1892, and acts amendatory thereof, approved respectively January 22, 1894, and February 2, 1898, No. 229; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 4106 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 23, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1896, in relation to the jurisdiction of police justices and justices of the peace as to the trial of offenders in certain cases, approved February 9, 1898, providing for the prosecution of misdemeanors and the compensation of commonwealth's attorneys for such services, No. 517; an act to amend and re-enact section 3563 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the satisfaction of judgment liens to be entered by a creditor on judgment docket, how noted, signed and attested, No. 518; an act to amend and re-enact section 709 of the Code of Virginia of 1887, in relation to compensation of agents, No. 554; an act extending time of making returns of assessment for Norfolk city until August 1, 1900, No. 560; an act to incorporate Bay Shore Terminal Company, No. 563; an act to incorporate the Wise Terminal Company, No. 564; an act to amend and re-enact the first and second sections of an act approved March 1, 1898, entitled an act to incorporate the Southern Branch Drawbridge Company, No. 565; an act to amend and re-enact section 6 of an act incorporating the Norfolk and Kempsville Turnpike Company, approved the third day of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, so as to allow the issue of preferred stock, and to authorize the commissioners therein named to receive subscriptions to the capital stock of said company without the necessity of giving any public notice of the time and places at which books will be opened for subscriptions, No. 566; an act to authorize C. H. Spangler to put a fish-trap in

James river, in Botetourt county, at or near Dill's falls, No. 573; an act to amend and re-enact section 13 of an act entitled an act to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads of Botetourt county, approved March 4, 1896, No. 574; an act to protect mountain trout in Jennings's creek or its tributaries, in the county of Botetourt, No. 575; an act to amend and re-enact sections 15 and 19 of the act in force March 22, 1872, entitled an act to amend and re-enact certain acts in relation to the town of Fin-castle, in the county of Botetourt, and to extend the corporate limits of the said town, No. 576; an act to authorize the councils of the city of Norfolk to close the canal lying west of Granby street and between it and Randolph street or between it and Newton street, and convert the same into a public street, No. 577; an act to repeal section 2 of an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in order all the public roads and bridges in the county of Hanover, and to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a road commissioner in each magisterial district in Hanover county, and to define his duties and powers, approved February 25, 1892, No. 578; an act to provide for indexing certain deed books in Accomac county court clerk's office under the head of family and Christian names, No. 585; an act to allow W. S. Embrey to build a wharf and pier in James river, near Scotland, in Surry county, Virginia, No. 588; an act to allow Captain John R. Thomas and William T. Bloxom to erect a wharf or pier in Holden's creek, in Accomac county, No. 589; an act to incorporate the Onancock and Drummondtown Electric Railway, Light and Power Company, No. 590; an act to authorize the principal of the King and Queen High School to grant and confer certificates, diplomas, &c., No. 591; an act to incorporate the Petersburg Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, No. 593; an act allowing James W. Bonner, treasurer of Bath county, and his deputies further time within which to distrain, levy, and collect certain tax tickets and license taxes not returned delinquent, for which he has heretofore accounted to the State or to the county, or the districts of said county, No. 594; an act to authorize the re-instatement of a cause after final decree to appoint a commissioner in the stead of one who has died, or become otherwise incapacitated, to make the conveyance, No. 595; an act to validate all the acts of the parties availing themselves of and associating themselves under the act incorporating the Farmers' Benevolent Fire Association, No. 610; and an act to amend and re-enact section 4018 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to writs of *venire facias* in cases of felony, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 5, 1896, No. 611.

In which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 229, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Carroll to let to

contract the roads of said county and levy a tax to keep the same in order, approved February 29, 1892, and acts amendatory thereof, approved respectively January 22, 1894, and February 2, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 517, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 4106 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 23, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1896, in relation to the jurisdiction of police justices and justices of the peace as to the trial of offenders in certain cases, approved February 9, 1898, providing for the prosecution of misdemeanors and the compensation of commonwealth's attorneys for such services, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 518, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3563 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the satisfaction of judgment liens to be entered by a creditor on judgment docket, how noted, signed, and attested, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 554, House bill to amend and re-enact section 709 of Code of Virginia of 1887, in relation to compensation of agents, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 560, House bill extending time of making returns of assessment for Norfolk city until August 1, 1900, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 563, House bill to incorporate Bay Shore Terminal Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 564, House bill to incorporate the Wise Terminal Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 565, House bill to amend and re-enact the first and second sections of an act approved March 1, 1898, entitled an act to incorporate the Southern Branch Drawbridge Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 566, House bill to amend and re-enact section six of an act incorporating the Norfolk and Kempsville Turnpike Company, approved the third day of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, so as to allow the issue of preferred stock, and to authorize the commissioners therein named to receive subscriptions to the capital stock of said company without the necessity of giving any public notice of the time and places at which books will be opened for subscriptions, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 573, House bill to authorize C. H. Spangler to put a fish-trap in James river, in Botetourt county, at or near Dill's falls, was

taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 574, House bill to amend and re-enact section 13 of an act entitled an act to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads of Botetourt county, approved March 4, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 575, House bill to protect mountain trout in Jennings's creek or its tributaries, in the county of Botetourt, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 576, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 15 and 19 of the act in force March 22, 1872, entitled an act to amend and re-enact certain acts in relation to the town of Fincastle, in the county of Botetourt, and to extend the corporate limits of the said town, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 577, House bill to authorize the councils of the city of Norfolk to close the canal lying west of Granby street and between it and Randolph street or between it and Newton street, and convert the same into a public street, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 578, House bill to repeal section two of an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in order all the public roads and bridges in the county of Hanover, and to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a road commissioner in each magisterial district in Hanover county, and to define his duties and powers, approved February 25, 1892, was taken up, twice read, and motion of Mr. WICKHAM (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

The bill was subsequently taken up.

Mr. WICKHAM offered a substitute, which was adopted, read the third time and passed, and on his further motion, the title was amended.

No. 585, House bill to provide for indexing certain deed books in Accomac county court clerk's office under the head of family and Christian names, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 588, House bill to allow W. S. Embrey to build a wharf and pier in James river near Scotland, in Surry county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. WALLACE moved to discharge the committee on general laws from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 589, House bill to allow Captain John R. Thomas and Wil-

liam T. Bloxom to erect a wharf or pier in Holden's creek, in Accomac county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 590, House bill to incorporate the Onancock and Drummond-town Electric Railway Light, and Power Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 591, House bill to authorize the principal of the King and Queen High School to grant and confer certificates, diplomas, &c., was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 593, House bill to incorporate the Petersburg Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 594, House bill allowing James W. Bonner, treasurer of Bath county, and his deputies further time within which to distrain, levy, and collect certain tax tickets and license taxes not returned delinquent, for which he has heretofore accounted to the State or to the county, or the districts of said county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 595, House bill to authorize the re-instatement of a cause after a final decree; to appoint a commissioner in the stead of one who has died, or become otherwise incapacitated, to make the conveyance, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 610, House bill to validate all the acts of the parties availing themselves of, and associating themselves under the act incorporating the Farmers Benevolent Fire Association, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 611, House bill to amend and re-enact section 4018 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to writs of *venire facias* in cases of felony, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 5, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported with an amendment

No. 535, Senate bill to incorporate the Herndon and Leesburg Telephone and Telegraph Company.

And he, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 557, Senate bill to incorporate the Tide Water Insurance Company of Virginia.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

No. 567, A bill to incorporate the Brocks Gap Railroad Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read

a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 568, A bill to incorporate the Northern Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

No. 569, A bill to protect the interest of the State in the Richmond Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, and to prevent the construction of another railroad from Richmond to the Potomac river until the interest of the State in the Richmond Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company is disposed of; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 570, A bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Culpeper county to issue bonds to raise money for the purpose of purchasing a farm and erecting necessary buildings for a poor house; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 571, A bill to amend and re-enact an act of the General Assembly, approved February 19, 1896, entitled an act empowering the board of supervisors of Dickenson county to increase the salary of the county court judge of the said county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 572, A bill authorizing and directing the entry of satisfaction on the judgment lien docket of Wise county of a certain judgment in favor of the commonwealth against Ira Gilliam, late sheriff of Wise county, and the sureties on his official bond as such sheriff; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave (by request), presented

No. 573, A bill to incorporate the town of Lamberton, in the county of Norfolk; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. SANDS, by leave (by request), presented

No. 574, A bill to amend and re-enact section one of an act entitled an act to facilitate the giving of bonds required by law approved March 5, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act ap-

proved February 6, 1896; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 575, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 75, 76, 78, 79, 80, 82 and 83, of the act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Richmond and the acts amendatory thereof relating to the lien of the city for taxes, assessed on real estate and in the sale thereof for non-payment of taxes; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave presented

No. 576, A bill to amend and re-enact section six of an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to provide for a Bureau of Labor and Industrial Statistics and defining the duties of said Bureau and appropriating money to support the same; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 577, A bill to amend section 2564 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to sale of lands, when partition cannot be made; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 578, A bill for the relief of James B. Abbitt; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. WALLACE, by leave, presented

No. 579, A bill for the relief of Robert A. Doyle, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 580, A bill to re-enact sections 2234, 2235, 2236, 2237, 2238, 2243, 2244, 2245, 2246, 2247, 2248, 2249, of the Code of Virginia, repealed by an act approved March 4, 1898, in relation to the registration and records of births and deaths in the State of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 163, Senate bill to prevent corrupt practices or bribery in elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and providing penalties and remedies for violations of this act, and declaring void under certain conditions elections in which the provisions or any of them have been violated.

Mr. BARKSDALE moved to reconsider the vote, by which the bill was fixed for the special and continuing order for Wednesday, February 21st, which was agreed to.

On his further motion the bill was set for the special and continuing order for Tuesday, February 26th, at 1 P. M.

No. 423, To provide for the purchase of toll roads or turnpikes in certain magisterial districts, was taken up.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to indefinitely postpone, which was agreed to.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to reconsider the vote, by which the bill was indefinitely postponed, which was rejected.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

A petition for increase of salary of Adjutant-General, which was referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 64, Senate bill to amend and re-enact chapter 20 of the Acts of Assembly of 1897-1898, to prescribe and regulate the procedure by which unpaid subscriptions to joint stock companies may be recovered by said companies, their creditors, receivers, trustees, assignees, and any other persons, being the special and continuing order for the day, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to.

Mr. GOLD offered an amendment, which was rejected.

The Senate refused to engross the bill by the following vote—
ayes, 11; noes, 14.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Johnson, Lyle, McIlwaine and Walker—11.

NOES—Messrs. Claytor, Dinwiddie, Flood, Gold, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Munford, Sands, St. Clair and Wallace—14.

Mr. OPIE stated that he was paired with Mr. WICKHAM; if he were present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. MANN moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to engross the bill.

Mr. GLASS moved to pass the motion by, which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 12; noes, 13.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Lyle, Mann, McIlwaine and Walker—12

NOES—Messrs. Claytor, Flood, Gold, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Munford, Sands, St. Clair and Wallace—13.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to lay the motion on the table, which was rejected.

Mr. JEFFRIES called the pending question and called for the ayes and noes—ayes, 14; noes, 2.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Claytor, Flood, Gold, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Maynard, Munford, Sands, St. Clair and Wallace—14.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce and Foster—2.

On motion of Mr. McILWAINE the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, February 19, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to repeal an act entitled an act to declare Mud Fork, in the county of Tazewell, navigable for a certain distance, No. 483; an act to amend and re-enact section 60 of an act approved January 28, 1884, entitled an act to amend sections 4, 12, 15, 41, 50, 52, 60, 61 and 67 of an act to provide for a new charter for the city of Portsmouth, and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith, approved March 6, 1882, No. 540; an act to incorporate the Negro Agricultural and Industrial Society of Virginia, No. 417; an act declaring certain streams in Powhatan county to be highways, No. 213; an act to ratify and confirm charter of the Richmond Union Stock Yards Company, No. 489; and an act to authorize and empower the school trustees of Chatham school district of Pittsylvania county to sell and convey certain lands, No. 516.

They have dismissed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact the tenth sub-division of section 183 of the Code, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1892, relating to the salaries of superintendent of the penitentiary, surgeon, assistant keepers, and clerks, No. 253; and an act to amend and re-enact section 1398 of the Code, in reference to conveyances and gifts by will for religious purposes, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 4, 1898, entitled an act to amend section 1398 of the Code and section 1399 of the Code, as amended by an act approved January 31, 1890, as to what conveyances for religious purposes are valid, No. 145.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 717 of the Code

of Virginia as amended by an act approved March 1, 1898, relating to fines and costs before justices of the peace, No. 107; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to prevent shooting or killing game at night in the counties of Charles City, Prince George, Henrico and James City, No. 140; and an act to amend and re-enact paragraph 96 of schedule F of chapter 1 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixtures thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, as amended by an act approved February 24, 1894, and as amended by an act approved January 16, 1896, as far as the same relates to photographers' licenses, No. 364.

They have passed with amendments Senate bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 12 (relating to tax on wills and administration) of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is necessary, No. 249.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to incorporate the Norfolk and Berkley Bridge Company, No. 464; an act to authorize cities and incorporated towns to establish and maintain free public libraries and reading rooms, and to require the city of Richmond to establish such library and reading room, No. 460; an act for the protection of game in the counties of Alleghany, Augusta, Bath, Botetourt, Highland, Rockbridge, and Rockingham, and prescribing penalties for violation of same, and to prohibit non-residents of the State of Virginia from hunting or killing game in any of the said counties without first obtaining a license therefor, except such non-residents as are *bona fide* owners in fee simple of real estate in one or more of said counties, and prescribing the license tax upon such non-residents, No. 482; an act to provide for the appointment of commissioners of valuation, and defining their duties, No. 553; an act to authorize the county school board of James City county to compensate school trustees, No. 570; an act to submit the question of a stock law to the voters of Brentville district, in the county of Prince William, No. 572; an act to provide for the repair and maintenance of the public roads in Princess Anne county, No. 579; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Scott county to lay levies to pay all outstanding road warrants, No. 580; an act to incorporate the Newport News Military

Academy, No. 583; an act to commission officers of cadets of Newport News Military Academy, No. 584; an act to amend and re-enact section 2498 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 27, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 29, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 28, 1898, and as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, in relation to deeds of trust and other incumbrances, No. 596; an act for the relief of the Savings Bank of Norfolk, No. 597; an act requiring the district school boards of Pleasant Grove, Butts road, and Deep Creek districts to hold bi-monthly meetings, and to receive compensation for the same, No. 599; an act to protect mountain trout in the waters of Rappahannock county, No. 600; an act to prohibit hogs from running at large in county of Rappahannock, No. 601; an act to declare Hughes river a lawful fence from Mitchell's Ford to Nethers' Mills in Rappahannock and Madison counties, No. 602; an act to amend and re-enact section 4, of an act entitled an act to establish a corporation court for the city of Bristol, in Washington county, approved February 12, 1890, No. 603; an act to authorize the school trustees of Abingdon school district and Central school district of the county of Washington to issue separate bonds of said school districts for the purpose of taxing up and paying the out-standing indebtedness of the late Cave City school district, No. 604; an act to incorporate Old Dominion College at the town of Honaker, in Russell county, No. 605; an act to provide for submitting the question of liquor license to the voters of the Court House and Temperance magisterial districts in Amherst county, No. 606; an act to authorize the road board of Amherst county to borrow money to be used in working the public roads in Pedlar magisterial district of said county, No. 607; an act to regulate the sale of cider and other intoxicants in the village of Fork Union, Fluvanna county, Virginia, No. 608; an act for the relief of W. P. Shelton, treasurer of Hanover county, giving him further time, &c., No. 609; an act providing for connection of railroads in the State of Virginia, No. 471; an act to provide for the appointment of a harbor master for the county of Warwick, and to fix his duties, and so forth, No. 543; an act to authorize the city of Bristol, Virginia, to issue bonds for street water works system and other improvements and to provide the mode of issuing the same, and to provide for the disposition of the funds arising from the sale of the same, No. 546; an act to amend section one of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Saltville and to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Saltville, approved March 8, 1894, approved February 7, 1896, No. 632; and an act to amend and re-enact section 1271 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the securities to be deposited with the Treasurer by foreign and home insurance companies, as amended and re-enacted

by acts approved January 14, 1890, and February 28, 1890, No. 633.

In which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 249, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 12 (relating to tax on wills and administration) of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is necessary, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. WICKHAM moved that the Senate concur in the House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 464, House bill to incorporate the Norfolk and Berkley Bridge Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 460, House bill to authorize cities and incorporated towns to establish and maintain free public libraries and reading rooms, and to require the city of Richmond to establish such library and reading room, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 482, House bill for the protection of game in the counties of Alleghany, Augusta, Bath, Botetourt, Highland, Rockbridge, and Rockingham, and prescribing penalties for violation of same, and to prohibit non-residents of the State of Virginia from hunting or killing game in any of the said counties without first obtaining a license therefor, except such non-residents as are *bona fide* owners in fee simple of real estate in one or more of said counties, and prescribing the license tax upon such non-residents, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 553, House bill to provide for the appointment of commissioners of valuation, and defining their duties, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 570, House bill to authorize the county school board of James City county to compensate school trustees, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 572, House bill to submit the question of a stock law to the voters of Brentsville district, in the county of Prince William, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 579, House bill to provide for the repair and maintenance of the public roads in Princess Anne county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 580, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Scott

county to lay levies to pay all outstanding road warrants, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 583, House bill to incorporate the Newport News Military Academy, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 584, House bill to commission officers of cadets of Newport News Military Academy, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 596, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2498 of the Code of Virginia as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 27, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 29, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 28, 1898, and as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, in relation to deeds of trust and other incumbrances, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 597, House bill for the relief of the Savings Bank of Norfolk, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 599, House bill requiring the district school boards of Pleasant Grove, Butts Road, and Deep Creek districts to hold bi-monthly meetings, and to receive compensation for the same, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 600, House bill to protect mountain trout in the waters of Rappahannock county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 601, House bill to prohibit hogs from running at large in the county of Rappahannock, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 602, House bill to declare Hughes' river a lawful fence from Mitchell's ford to Nethers' mills, in Rappahannock and Madison counties, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 603, House bill to amend and re-enact section 4 of an act entitled an act to establish a corporation court for the city of Bristol, in Washington county, approved February 12, 1890, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 604, House bill to authorize the school trustees of the Abingdon school district, and Central school district, of the county of Washington, to issue separate bonds of said school districts for the purpose of taking up and paying the outstanding indebtedness of the late Cave City school district, was taken up, twice read, and

on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 605, House bill to incorporate Old Dominion College at the town of Honaker, in Russell county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 606, House bill to provide for submitting the question of liquor license to the voters of the Court House and Temperance magisterial districts in Amherst county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 607, House bill to authorize the road board of Amherst county to borrow money, to be used in working the public roads in Pedlar magisterial district of said county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 608, House bill to regulate the sale of cider and other intoxicants in the village of Fork Union, Fluvanna county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 609, House bill for the relief of W. P. Shelton, treasurer of Hanover county, giving him further time, &c., was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 471, House bill providing for connection of railroads in the State of Virginia, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 543, House bill to provide for the appointment of a harbor master for the county of Warwick, and to fix his duties, etc., was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 546, House bill to authorize the city of Bristol, Virginia, to issue bonds for street and other improvements, and to provide the mode of issuing the same, and to provide for the disposition of the funds arising from the sale of the same, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 632, House bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the town of Saltville and to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Saltville, approved March 8, 1894," approved February 7, 1896; was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 633, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1270 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the securities to be deposited with the treasurer by foreign and home insurance companies, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 14, 1890,

and February 28, 1890; was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported without amendment

No. 518, Senate bill making it unlawful for any person to play the game commonly called craps or any game of like kind for money or other thing of value, and prescribing punishment of any person guilty of same.

He, from the same committee, reported, asking to be discharged from further consideration of this bill, and it be referred to finance and banks

No. 548, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 661 of the Code of Virginia, so as to provide additional grounds on which the title of certain purchases may be defeated, and to limit the time within which suit may be brought for the purpose; which was agreed to.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 233, House bill to provide for the apportionment of taxes, levies, or assessments, whether State, county, or municipal, and providing for the necessary proceedings therefor.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 499, Senate bill to authorize and empower the county and corporation courts of the commonwealth, or the judge thereof in vacation, to suspend any treasurer of any county or city, whenever it shall appear from the report of the auditor of public accounts, the board of supervisors, or otherwise, that said treasurer, clerk, or other officer has failed to make settlement or pay over the amount found by such auditor, board of supervisors, &c., to be due from such treasurer, clerk or other officer, as the law directs; and to authorize and empower said court, or the judge thereof in vacation, to appoint some person to discharge the duties of such treasurer, clerk or other officer, until settlement and payment aforesaid is made.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 595, House bill to authorize the re-instatement of a cause after a final decree, to appoint a commissioner in the stead of one who has died, or become otherwise incapacitated, to make the conveyance.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 286, Senate bill to appropriate annually the sum of \$500 to the Hollywood Memorial Association.

He, from the same committee, reported with a substitute

No. 252, House bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, as heretofore amended, in relation to sale of delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 339, House bill to provide for the payment out of the

treasury for losses sustained by destruction of property and expenses incurred to prevent the spread of small-pox from an epidemic of that disease prevalent in Indian reservation of the Pamunkey tribe of Indians.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 492, Senate bill to relieve Mary M. Smith from taxes improperly assessed against 117 acres of land in Henry district in Hanover county, Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 494, House bill for the relief of Mrs. Bettie D. Powell for taxes erroneously assessed to Edward O. Pollard and paid by her.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 495, House bill for the relief of J. Massie Smith.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 560, House bill extending time of making returns of assessment for Norfolk City until August 1, 1900.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and town, reported without amendment

No. 521, Senate bill to repeal section 1043 of the Code of Virginia as amended, &c.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 522, Senate bill authorizing cities and towns to make city and town levies.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 523, Senate bill to provide for local assessments in cities and towns.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment.

No. 285, Senate bill to amend and re-enact the VII sub-section of section 19, and the 38 section of the charter of the city of Manchester as enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia by an act entitled an act to provide a charter for the city of Manchester, approved March 20, 1874.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 329, Senate bill to authorize a special issue of bonds by the city of Staunton for the purpose of obtaining a water supply by gravity, and empowering the said city to acquire and control the requisite water rights and land in connection therewith, and to police the same.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 376, House bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of King William county to build, construct and maintain a bridge over the Pamunkey river, near New Castle ferry, between King William and Hanover counties.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 451, House bill to amend and re-enact section 16 of an act approved February 29, 1892, entitled an act to provide for working and keeping in order the public roads in the county of Louisa.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 525, House bill to define a lawful fence in a portion of Massie's Mill district, in Nelson county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 532, House bill to amend and re-enact section 65 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, approved January 16, 1896.

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He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 514, House bill to amend and re-enact section 61 of an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, approved January 16, 1896.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 566, House bill to amend and re-enact section six of an act incorporating the Norfolk and Kempsville Turnpike Company, approved the third day of March, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, so as to allow the issue of preferred stock, and to authorize the commissioners therein named to receive subscriptions to the capital stock of said company without the necessity of giving any public notice of the time and place at which books will be opened for subscriptions, was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 379, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Giles county to issue bonds of the county instead of county warrants, in settlement of a contract with Virginia Bridge and Iron Company, for the construction of a bridge at Ripplemead, Giles county, Virginia.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave, presented

No. 581, A bill to provide a new charter for the city of Charlottesville and repeal all acts and parts of acts inconsistent therewith; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 582, A bill to provide for the release of conditional sale contracts; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 583, A bill to provide for the release of deeds of trust or mortgages when the property is sold by a trustee; which, on his

motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 584, A bill allowing the designation of one of the justices of the county of Henrico to act as trial justice of misdemeanor cases and warrants for small claims arising within the space of three miles around the city of Richmond, in the county of Henrico, and providing for the payment of the salary of said justice out of the county funds; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the the calendar.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 585, A bill to require all bills hereafter introduced in the Senate and House of Delegates for the granting of certain charters of incorporation to be forthwith published in full in one of the daily newspapers published in the city of Richmond; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 586, A bill to enlarge the powers of the Richmond Passenger and Power Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 587, A bill to incorporate The West Norfolk Telephone and Telegraph Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

No. 588, A bill to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act entitled an act to protect mountain trout in the waters of Rockingham county, approved March 4, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 589, A bill to incorporate the Blackstone and Southern Railroad Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave, presented

No. 590, A bill to amend and re-enact the fifth section of an act approved March 4, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 2 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to

pay interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, and to repeal section 9 of chapter 2 of this act relating to liquor license; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 593, To incorporate the Petersburg Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

No. 589, To allow Captain John R. Thomas and William T. Bloxom to erect a wharf or pier in Holden's creek, in Accomac county.

No. 585, To provide for indexing certain deed books in Accomac county court clerk's office under the head of family and Christian names.

No. 577, To authorize the councils of the city of Norfolk to close the canal lying west of Granby street and between it and Randolph street or between it and Newton street, and convert the same into a public street.

No. 229, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3089 of the Code of Virginia, and section 3090 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 18, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 112, 633, 674, 2533, 3045, 3053, 3090, 3091, 3455, 3492, 4048, and 4049 of an act entitled an act to revise and arrange and consolidate into a code the general statutes of the Commonwealth, approved May 16, 1897, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 224, Senate bill providing for the appointment of a State board of health, and of local boards of health, defining the duties and powers and compensation thereof, and of their members, officers and agents, in connection with the preservation of public health, and prescribing penalties against witnesses failing to obey subpoenas issued by said State board of health, or any authorized member thereof, for refusing to testify or otherwise acting in contempt of said State board or its duly authorized members, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 31; noes, 1.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—31.

NOES—Mr. Mann—1.

No. 342, Senate bill to incorporate the Richmond and Washington Air Line Railway Company, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. FAIRFAX offered the following amendment :

On page 11 line 44 strike out the words "seventy-five" and insert in lieu thereof "one hundred and fifty," which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 13; noes, 24.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Fairfax, Glass, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, McIlwaine, Opie, St. Clair, Tate and Walker—13.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, James, Johnson, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—24.

Mr. McILWAINE offered the following amendment :

Page 10 line 21 strike out word "two" and insert word "four," so as to read "four hundred dollars per share," which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 10; noes, 24.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Fairfax, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Le Cato, Lyle, McIlwaine, Opie and Tate—10.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Gold, James, Keezell, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Walker, Wallace Watkins and Wickham—24.

Mr. McILWAINE offered an amendment as follows :

Strike out "two hundred" and insert "three hundred," which was rejected.

Mr. McILWAINE offered a further amendment:

Strike out "two hundred" and insert "two hundred and fifty," which was rejected.

The bill was then read the second time. ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PARKS, who informed the Senate that that House had passed a substitute for

No. 23, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia as heretofore amended, in relation to sales of delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor.

The bill was subsequently taken up, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES, the substitute proposed by the House of Delegates was disagreed to, and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. SAUNDERS, who informed the Senate that that house had passed

No. 499, House bill in relation to special damages recoverable of a telegraph company.

The bill was taken up, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 492, Senate bill to protect the interest of the State of Virginia in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, by inhibiting the execution of certain traffic contracts, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 560, Senate bill to empower and instruct the board of sinking fund commissioners to sell the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, and to repeal an act entitled an act to empower and instruct the board of sinking fund commissioners to sell the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, and to invest the proceeds of sale in century bonds, approved March 3, 1894, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 561, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 420 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 12, 1894, in relation to the use by the commissioners of the sinking fund of any surplus money in the treasury in the purchase of bonds of the State issued under the acts of February 14, 1882, and February 20, 1892, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 569, Senate bill to protect the interest of the State in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company and to prevent the construction of another railroad from Richmond to the Potomac river until the interest of the State in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company is disposed of, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 244, Senate bill to regulate the employment of children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, being the special order for the day, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. LYLE passed by until Thursday, February 22.

No. 390, Senate bill amending and re-enacting section 3063 of the Code of Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and rejected by the following vote—ayes, 15; noes, 10.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Donohoe, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Hartley, Jeffries, Mann, McIlwaine, Shands, St. Clair, Tate, Tyler, Watkins and Wickham—15.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Glass, Gold, Keezell, Lyle, Morris, Walker and Wallace—10.

Mr. MORRIS moved to reconsider the vote.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. BARKSDALE, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 20, 1900.

The House of Delegates has agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to give consent of the State of Virginia to the purchase or acquisition of the Government of the United States of so much land as may be necessary for a public building in the city of Portsmouth and giving the city the power to sell the same for purpose mentioned, No. 169.

They have passed with amendment Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 18, 1890, in relation to fishing in the waters of the commonwealth of Virginia, to provide for levying a tax on fishing devices and to provide for collecting the same, approved March 3, 1898, and to extend the provisions of said act to include all the waters within the jurisdiction of the commonwealth, No. 313.

In which amendments they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 313, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 18, 1890, in relation to fishing in the waters of the commonwealth of Virginia, to provide for levying a tax on fishing devices and to provide for collecting the same, approved March 3, 1898, and to extend the provisions of said act to include all the waters within the jurisdiction of the commonwealth, with House amendments, was

taken up, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO the bill was placed on the calendar.

The PRESIDENT announced the appointment of Messrs. JEFFRIES, MORRIS and KEEZELL as a committee of conference on the part of the Senate on Senate bill No. 23.

Mr. WALKER, by leave, presented

No. 591, A bill to authorize the trustees of Nomini Baptist Church of Christ, in Westmoreland county, to sell and convey the Antioch meeting-house, and the lot of land on which it stands; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. FOSTER, by leave, presented

No. 592, A bill for an increase in the salary of the judge of the first judicial circuit; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 593, A bill for the relief of G. T. W. Kern, of Bedford City, Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 594, A bill for the relief of A. R. Payne a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. OPIE, by leave, presented

No. 595, A bill to incorporate the Seawright Lithia Springs and Augusta Railroad Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 596, A bill to provide a new charter for the town of Hampton and to repeal such acts and parts of acts as conflict therewith; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 597, A bill to repeal section 13 of chapter 11 of an act of March 6, 1890, to provide for assessment of taxes, ect., relating to liquor licenses and to amend and re-enact sections 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 of said chapter; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 598, A bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Charles City county, Virginia, to aid in the erection of a monument to the Confederate soldiers of said county by assigning

a location on the court house green and by contributing thereto a sum not exceeding \$300; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

No. 599, A bill to regulate the sale of cider, wine or other intoxicants within two miles of the corporate limits of the town of Bridgewater in the county of Rockingham; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 600, A bill to increase the number of contributing members to a military company in cities of more than 20,000 inhabitants having but one such company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. JAMES, by leave, presented

No. 601, A bill for the relief of S. H. Minter and W. A. Murrel, of Henry county, Confederate soldiers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 602, To amend and re-enact sections three and seven of an act entitled an act to constitute one quarantine district of the Elizabeth river and its branches, and to create a board of quarantine commissioners and a quarantine medical officer for said district, approved February 26, 1877, as amended by several acts approved, respectively, on the 29th day of January, 1878, and the 26th day of February, 1886, and the 28th day of February, 1898, and to prescribe the mode of selecting such quarantine medical officer and his term of office; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 603, A bill extending further time to R. D. Buford, late clerk Bedford county court, to collect fee bills; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No. 604, A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Caroline county to increase the salary of the overseer of the poor of Bowling Green district of Caroline county; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion

(two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave presented

No. 605, A bill to authorize the county school board of Prince George county to pay the treasurer for disbursing school fund; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor, was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion, (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 606, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3693 Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 28, 1896; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave, presented

No. 607, A bill authorizing the town of Emporia to issue bonds and borrow money for the purpose of establishing a system of water works for said town, supplying and maintaining electric lights for said town, and for establishing sewerage for said town; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave, presented

No. 608, A bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within one mile of the property commonly known as Walker's Mill in the county of Greensville; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 609, A bill for the relief of John J. Hedderly, a wounded Confederate soldier of Halifax county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 610, A bill to re-enact an act entitled an act to prohibit the catching of fish with seines, weirs and nets in Lake Drummond, approved February 26, 1896; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 611, To create a department of insurance, to provide for the election of an insurance commissioner, and to prescribe his duties and powers, to provide revenue for the support of the government, to regulate fire and other insurance companies, and to prescribe penalties for violations of this act; which, on his motion, was read

the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 612, A bill to provide for the preparation, printing and distribution of a new code of laws for the government of the public school system and the State institutions for higher technical and special education and to provide compensation for the same ; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. McLLWAIN, from the committee for courts of justice, reported with a recommendation that it do not pass

No. 5, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3166 of the Code in relation to trial by jury.

Mr. FAIRFAX, from the committee on finance and banks, reported with amendment

No. 126, Senate bill to relieve the heirs of Adeline V. Hall from erroneous assessment of land.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 140, Senate bill for the relief of J. H. Ruebush, of the county of Rockingham, from an improper assessment.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 503, Senate bill for the relief of Miss Carrie C. Sexton, of Smyth county, from erroneous assessment.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 504, Senate bill for the relief of Mrs. Fannie C. Sexton, of Smyth county, from erroneous assessment.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 547, Senate bill to provide for the settlement with West Virginia of the proportion of the public debt of the original State of Virginia property to be borne by West Virginia, and for the due protection of the Commonwealth of Virginia in the premises, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM was made the special and continuing order for Thursday, February 22.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 289, House bill for the relief of the sureties of treasurers and deputy treasurers of Henry county, by extending the time of collection and levy and distress for taxes and levies which have been already accounted for to the commonwealth and said county.

He, from the same committee, reported with a substitute,

No. 402, House bill to repeal section 3830 of the Code of Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 461, House bill for the relief of the Virginia Military Institute.

He, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that the committee be discharged from further consideration of this bill and it be referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 490, House bill to authorize and empower Mrs. Laura C. Webb-Peploe to dispose of certain real estate and to make valid title thereto.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment No. 496, House bill for the relief of Mary E. Sawyer.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported with a substitute

No. 515, Senate bill to prevent fire insurance companies, associations or partnerships doing business in this State from entering into any compact or combination to make or control commission or compensation paid or to be paid agents or employees, of such companies, associations or partnerships, or of any of them on account of work done or business gotten for such companies, associations or partnerships or any of them by such agents or employees, and providing a punishment for violation of this act.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 533, To amend and re-enact section 84 of an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896.

No. 514, To amend and re-enact section 61 of an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, approved January 16, 1896.

No. 532, To amend and re-enact section 65 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, approved January 16, 1896.

Mr. TYLER moved that the votes, by which the bills were passed, be reconsidered.

Mr. JAMES moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 525, To define a lawful fence in a portion of Massie's Mill district in Nelson county.

No. 451, To amend and re-enact section 16 of an act approved February 29, 1892, entitled an act to provide for working and keeping in order the public roads in the county of Louisa.

No. 376, To authorize and empower the board of supervisors of King William county to build, construct, and maintain a bridge over the Pamunkey river, near New Castle Ferry, between King William and Hanover counties.

No. 560, Extending time of making returns of assessment for Norfolk city until August 1, 1900.

No. 339, House bill to provide for the payment out of the treasury for losses sustained by destruction of property and expenses incurred to prevent the spread of small-pox from an epidemic of

that disease prevalent in the Indian reservation of the Pamunkey tribe of Indians, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 27; noes, none:

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—27.

NOES—None.

No. 494, House bill for the relief of Bettie D. Powell, for taxes erroneously assessed to Edward C. Pollard, and paid by her, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 26; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Gold, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tyier, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

No. 495, House bill for the relief of J. Massie Smith, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 31; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—31.

NOES—None.

No. 480, Senate bill to refund to George W. Blick certain delinquent taxes paid by him, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 342, Senate bill to incorporate the Richmond and Washington Air Line Railway Company, being the special order for the day, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 28; noes, 8.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Gold, Harvey, James, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—28.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Fairfax, Glass, Jeffries, Lyle, McIlwaine, Opie and Tate—8.

On motion of Mr. FLOOD he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 492, Senate bill to protect the interest of the State of Virginia in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, by inhibiting the execution of certain traffic contracts. being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. FLOOD he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 560, Senate bill to empower and instruct the board of sinking fund commissioners to sell the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, and to repeal an act entitled "an act to empower and instruct the board of sinking fund commissioners to sell the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, and to invest the proceeds of sale in century bonds," approved March 3, 1894, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 28; noes, 6.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—28.

NOES—Messrs. Fairfax, Glass, Lyle, McIlwaine, Opie and Tate—6.

On motion of Mr. FLOOD he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 561, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 420 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 12, 1894, in relation to the use by the commissioners of the sinking fund of any surplus money in the treasury in the purchase of bonds of the State issued under the acts of February 14, 1882, and February 20, 1892, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 35; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—35.

NOES—None.

On motion of Mr. FLOOD he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 569, Senate bill to protect the interest of the State in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company and to prevent the construction of another railroad from Richmond to the Potomac river until the interest of the State in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company is disposed of, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. EGGLESTON moved that the bill be communicated to the House of Delegates along with Senate bills No. 342, No. 492, No. 560 and No. 561; which was agreed to.

No. 1, Senate bill to provide for submitting to the qualified voters of the State the question of calling a Constitutional Convention, to be held for the purpose of revising and amending the present constitution, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. WICKHAM offered the following amendment:

Section 3 end of line 4 insert and immediately thereunder the words "against constitutional convention."

Section 3 line 9 after word "convention" insert the words "against constitutional convention."

Section 3 line 12 after word "convention" insert immediately thereunder the words "against constitutional convention," which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 17; noes 17.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Massie, Morris, Munford, Steele and Wickham.—17.

NOES—Messrs. Claytor, Eggleston, Flood, Gold, Johnson, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, McIlwaine, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Watkins—17.

The PRESIDENT voting in the negative.

The committee substitute was then adopted by the following vote—ayes, 19; noes, 16.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Claytor, Eggleston, Flood, Gold, Hartley, Johnson, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, McIlwaine, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham.—19.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Fairfax, Foster Glass, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Massie, Morris, Munford and Steele—16.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to reconsider the vote, by which the substitute was adopted.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. JONES, who informed the Senate that that House had passed Senate bill No. 332 with amendments.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 21, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to permit N. Z. Oakley to erect a wharf in Moratico creek in Richmond county, No. 520; an act for the relief of George A. Hutcheson of the city of Staunton, No. 123; an act to incorporate the Smithfield and Norfolk Steamboat Company, No. 490; an act to provide for the appointment of game wardens in the counties of Accomac and Northampton, No. 445; an act to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act to protect wild water fowl and other game in the counties of Accomac and Northampton, approved March 5, 1894, as amended by, &c., No. 446; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 28, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 3, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 8 of chapter 61 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 9, 1890, as amended by an act approved March 30, 1887, as amended by an act approved May 21, 1887, to amend and re-enact section 12 of said chapter 61 of the Code of 1873, which is section 1196 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to turnpike companies, approved March 5, 1896, No. 539; an act for the purpose of giving jurisdiction to the circuit or corporation court of the city of Lynchburg, or the respective judges thereof in vacation, power to give effect to the action of the congregation of the Fifth-Avenue Church (Independent), Lynchburg, Virginia, in regard to its church property, No. 462; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the circuit and corporation courts of the commonwealth to render judgment against receivers and commissioners and purchasers at judicial sales and their sureties in certain cases, No. 211; and an act to authorize the United States government to acquire title to and

jurisdiction over certain lands situate on Cape Henry, in the county of Princess Anne, No. 411.

They have agreed to Senate joint-resolution "to extend the thanks of the General Assembly of Virginia to Colonel Johnston L. de Peyster, late of the U. S. army, for the restitution of the lesser seal of the commonwealth."

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bills entitled an act making the injury to or destruction of fences or cattletops along the line of railroads a misdemeanor and prescribing the penalty therefor, No. 36; an act to incorporate the Saltville Railway Company, No. 444; an act to amend and re-enact section 18 of an act entitled an act providing a charter for the city of Norfolk, and repealing the existing charter, approved April 21, 1882, in force January 21, 1884, as to the powers of the councils of the city of Norfolk, and restrictions on the councils in passing certain resolutions and ordinances, No. 526; and an act to repeal section 2 of an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in order all the public roads and bridges in the county of Hanover, and to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the appointment of a road commissioner in each magisterial district in Hanover county, and to define his duties and powers, approved February 25, 1892, No. 578.

They have agreed, with an amendment to the substitute proposed by the Senate, to House bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act approved March 6, 1890, as amended by an act approved February 14, 1898, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, No. 141.

They have passed with amendments, Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to extend the time for making returns of assessments for the city of Richmond and the county of Henrico, approved February 12, 1894, No. 389; and an act to lease for a term of years ten acres of land lying under the waters of the York river, below the low-water mark in the county of Gloucester, including an artesian well thereon and to provide for a survey of same and for fixing the price to be paid therefor per annum, No. 125.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to create and maintain a State Board of Crop Pest Commissioners, and define their duties and powers, No. 356; an act to amend section 3652 of Code of Virginia, so as to provide that a householder may waive the exemption made in his favor by said section, No. 489; an act to provide for submitting the question of liquor license to the qualified

voters of the town of Big Stone Gap, in the county of Wise, No. 507; an act to provide for the submission to the people of the proposed amendments to sections 1 and 2 of Article 7 of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for the consolidation of the spring elections for county and district officers held on the fourth Thursday in May, and providing said elections to be held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, No. 561; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act empowering the board of supervisors of Dickenson county to increase the salary of the judge of the county court, approved February 19, 1896, No. 581; an act for the relief of Benjamin T. Gunter, Jr., of Accomac county, No. 586; an act to incorporate the Waverly Telephone and Telegraph Company, No. 598; an act to allow Thomas C. Miller, treasurer of Wytheville, Virginia, further time to collect certain tax tickets yet remaining in his hands, No. 612; an act for the relief of the Fincastle Stone and Marble Company, and to authorize the county court of Botetourt county to correct certain erroneous assessments of real estate owned by the said company, No. 613; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Richmond and Tidewater Railroad Company, approved March 3, 1898, No. 614; an act to amend the charter of the town of Manassas, No. 618; and act to authorize the board of supervisors of Campbell county to increase the salary of the county judge of said county, No. 619; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3419 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the appointment of trustees, as amended by an act approved March 2, 1898, so as to authorize the taking of bonds of substituted trustees, No. 620; an act for the relief of Mary J. Webb, by refunding certain State taxes erroneously paid by her, No. 621; an act for the protection of sheep in Warren county, by a tax on dogs, No. 622; an act to amend and re-enact an act to prohibit hogs from running at large in the county of Warren, approved February 14, 1898, No. 623; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Russell county to increase the pay of the attorney of the commonwealth for the county of Russell, No. 624; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Highland county to redeem the outstanding bonds of said county issued in payment of its subscription to the capital stock of the Washington, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railroad Company, and for that purpose either to borrow money and issue its bonds therefor, or to exchange new bonds for the outstanding bonds, approved March 4, 1890, and to authorize and empower the said board of supervisors to redeem any of such outstanding bonds and for that purpose to borrow money and issue its bonds therefor, or to exchange new bonds for such outstanding bonds, No. 625; an act to permit the school board of Blue Grass district, in the county of Highland, to use a portion of the district school fund of said district to pay teachers, No. 626;

and act to prescribe the times for holding the circuit courts in the thirteenth judicial circuit, No. 627; and act to amend and re-enact section 3 of chapter 315 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Cape Charles, in the county of Northampton, approved March 1, 1886, No. 628; an act to empower the council of the town of Cape Charles to borrow money and issue bonds therefor for the purpose of increasing its water supply and installing a drainage or sewerage system, No. 629; an act to amend and re-enact section 4 of chapter 193 of an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Cape Charles, in the county of Northampton, No. 630; an act to authorize and regulate the erection and maintenance of wires for telephone, telegraph, electric railway, and other purposes over or across the works of any company chartered as a work of internal improvement, or over or across the wires of any telephone, telegraph, electric railway, or electric company, No. 634; an act to authorize the Virginia-Carolina Railway Company to sell or lease its railroad property and franchises to, and to consolidate or merge its stock, railroad property, and franchises with any railroad company operating, or authorized to operate, a connecting line of railroad, and to lease from any such railroad company its property, rights, and franchises, No. 636; an act for the relief of F. F. Ninde, treasurer of King George county, giving him further time, &c., No. 637; an act to allow the town of Smithfield to borrow three thousand dollars, No. 639; an act to incorporate the City Trust Company of Newport News, No. 640; an act to incorporate the town of Holland, in the county of Nansemond, No. 641; an act to amend and re-enact sections 67 and 71 of the Code of 1887, in relation to the appointment of registrars and the registration of voters, No. 441; and an act to amend and re-enact section 64 of the Code of 1887, in relation to the election by the General Assembly of electoral boards, No. 442.

In which amendments and bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 141, House bill to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act approved March 6, 1890, as amended by an act approved February 14, 1898, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required in relation to the tax on bonds, notes and other evidences of debt, and on stocks, and so as to impose a tax on ground rents as personal property, with House amendment to Senate substitute, was taken up.

Mr. MORRIS moved that the Senate concur in House amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. MORRIS moved to reconsider the vote.

Mr. GLASS moved to pass the motion by.

No. 389, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act to extend the time for making returns of assessments for the city of Richmond and for the county of Henrico, approved February 12, 1894, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. SANDS moved that the Senate do not concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

Mr. SANDS moved to reconsider the vote.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to pass the motion by.

No. 125, Senate bill to provide for selling, granting and conveying to the Colonial Water Company ten acres of land lying under the waters of the York river in the county of Gloucester and to permit said company to hold said land and to erect a hotel and other buildings thereon, with House amendments was taken up, and on motion of Mr. TYLER the bill was placed on the calendar.

No. 356, House bill to create and maintain a State board of crop pest commissioners and define their powers, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LUTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 489, House bill to amend section 3652 of Code of Virginia, so as to provide that a householder may waive the exemption made in his favor by said section, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 507, House bill to provide for submitting the question of liquor license to the qualified voters of the town of Big Stone Gap, in the county of Wise, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 561, House bill to provide for the submission to the people of the proposed amendments to sections 1 and 2 of article 7 of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for the consolidation of the spring elections for county and district officers held on the fourth Thursday in May, and providing said elections to be held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. KEEZELL (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 581, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act empowering the board of supervisors of Dickenson county to increase the salary of the judge of the county court, approved February 19, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 586, House bill for the relief of Benjamin T. Gunter, Jr., of Accomac county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 598, House bill to incorporate the Waverly Telephone and Telegraph Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 612, House bill to allow Thomas C. Miller, treasurer of Wytheville, Virginia, further time to collect certain tax tickets yet remaining in his hands, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 613, House bill for the relief of the Fincastle Stone and Marble Company, and to authorize the county court of Botetourt county to correct certain erroneous assessments of real estate owned by the said company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 614, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Richmond and Tidewater Railroad Company, approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 618, House bill to amend the charter of the town of Manassas, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 619, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Campbell county to increase the salary of the county judge of said county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GLASS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 620, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3419 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the appointment of trustees, as amended by an act approved March 2, 1898, so as to authorize the taking of bonds of substituted trustees, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 621, House bill for the relief of Mary J. Webb by refunding certain State taxes erroneously paid by her, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 622, House bill for the protection of sheep in Warren county, by a tax on dogs, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GOLD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 623, House bill to amend and re-enact an act to prohibit hogs from running at large in the county of Warren, approved February 14, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GOLD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 624, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Russell county to increase the pay of the attorney of the commonwealth for the county of Russell, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 625, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Highland county to

redeem the outstanding bonds of said county issued in payment of its subscription to the capital stock of the Washington, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railroad Company, and for that purpose either to borrow money and issue its bonds therefor or to exchange new bonds for the outstanding bonds, approved March 4, 1890, and to authorize and empower the said board of supervisors to redeem any of such outstanding bonds, and for that purpose to borrow money and issue its bonds therefor or to exchange new bonds for such outstanding bonds, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 626, House bill to permit the school board of Blue Grass district, in the county of Highland, to use a portion of the district school fund of said district to pay teachers, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 627, House bill to prescribe the times for holding the circuit courts in the thirteenth judicial circuit, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 628, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3 of chapter 315 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Cape Charles, in the county of Northampton, approved March 1, 1886, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 629, House bill to empower the council of the town of Cape Charles to borrow money and issue bonds therefor for the purpose of increasing its water supply and installing a drainage or sewerage system, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 630, House bill to amend and re-enact section 4 of chapter 193 of an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Cape Charles, in the county of Northampton, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 634, House bill to authorize and regulate the erection and maintenance of wires for telephone, telegraph, electric railway, and other purposes over or across the works of any company chartered as a work of internal improvement, or over or across the wires of any telephone, telegraph, electric railway, or electric company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 636, House bill to authorize the Virginia-Carolina Railway Company to sell or lease its railroad property and franchises to, and to consolidate or merge its stock, railroad property, and franchises with any other railroad company operating or authorized to operate a connecting line of railroad, and to lease from any such railroad company its property, rights, and franchises, was taken up, twice

read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 637, House bill for the relief of F. F. Ninde, treasurer of King George county, giving him further time, &c., was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 639, House bill to authorize the mayor and the council of the town of Smithfield to borrow money by issuing bonds for a sum not to exceed \$3,000 to pave and repair the streets, and to build a jail for the town, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SHANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 640, House bill to incorporate the City Trust Company of Newport News, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 641, House bill to incorporate the town of Holland, in the county of Nansemond, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SHANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 441, House bill to amend and re-enact sections sixty-seven and seventy-one of the Code of 1887, in relation to the appointment of registrars and the registration of voters, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

No. 442, House bill to amend and re-enact section 64 of the Code of 1887, in relation to the election by the General Assembly of electoral boards, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. DUKE, as follows:

Resolved by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly at 12.30 this day proceed to elect a corporation judge for the city of Charlottesville for the term beginning 1st January, 1901; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. BARKSDALE he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported with amendments

No. 543, Senate bill to incorporate the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Mr. WICKHAM, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 523, House bill to provide for the better enforcement and collection of the tax now imposed by law upon shares of stock in corporations and joint stock companies by requiring sworn lists of the stockholders of said corporations or companies resident in this State, to be filed with the auditor of public accounts and to

direct the disposition of said lists and to prescribe penalties for the failure or refusal to file said lists, or the furnishing of a false list.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 462, House bill for the relief of Charles E. Blankenship; was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Munford, Opie, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—25.

NOES—None.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 441, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act to amend and re-enact section 3528 of the Code, and to repeal section 3526 of the Code in relation to fees of attorneys of the commonwealth, approved March 3, 1896.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 381, Senate bill for the relief of D. Mott Robinson, of Appomattox county.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 590, Senate bill to amend and re-enact the fifth section of an act approved March 4, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 2 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, and to repeal section 9 of chapter 2 of this act relating to liquor license.

Mr. LE CATO, from the committee on fish and game, asked that the committee be discharged from further consideration of the following bills, and that they be placed on the calendar, which was agreed to:

No. 125, To amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code, in relation to fish-ladders, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code of 1887, touching fish-ladders, approved January 14, 1890.

No. 358, To regulate hunting partridges in the county of Nelson.

No. 482, For the protection of game in the counties of Alleghany, Augusta, Bath, Botetourt, Highland, Rockbridge, and Rockingham, and prescribing penalties for violation of same, and to prohibit non-residents of the State of Virginia from hunting

or killing game in any of the said counties without first obtaining a license therefor, except such non-residents as are *bona fide* owners in fee simple of real estate in one or more of said counties, and prescribing the license tax upon such non-residents.

No. 573, To authorize C. H. Spangler to put a fish-trap in James river, in Botetourt county, at or near Dill's falls.

No. 575, To protect mountain trout in Jennings's creek or its tributaries, in the county of Botetourt.

Mr. FLOOD, from the committee on privileges and elections, reported without amendment

No. 284, House bill to amend and re-enact section 149 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 8, 1898, in reference to the pay of judges of election so far as it relates to the counties of Prince William, Rappahannock, Rockingham, Warwick, Prince George, Surry, Amherst, Greene, Madison, Campbell, Tazewell, Scott, Mecklenburg, Amelia, Buckingham, Cumberland, Prince Edward, Russell, Culpeper, Pittsylvania and Frederick.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported without amendment

No. 567, Senate bill to incorporate the Brock's Gap Railroad Company, was subsequently taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. KEEZELL (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 502, Senate bill to amend and re enact section 9 of an act entitled an act to incorporate Big Sandy and Cumberland Railroad Company, in force January 25, 1900.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 589, Senate bill to incorporate the Blackstone and Southern Railroad Company.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 556, Senate bill to incorporate the Tidewater and West Virginia Railroad Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 565, House bill to amend and re-enact the first and second sections of an act approved March 1, 1898, entitled an act to incorporate the Southern Branch Drawbridge Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 472, House bill to authorize the Big Stone Gap Iron Company to build branch railroads not exceeding twenty miles in length in the counties of Lee, Scott and Wise.

And he, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 144, House bill to facilitate the construction of telegraph and telephone lines along and upon the right of way of railroads

in the State of Virginia, and to provide for condemnation of such right of way.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 613, A bill for the relief of Dr. Robert C. Nicholas; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 614, A bill for the relief of George W. Earnest, a wounded Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 615, A bill to allow B. M. Apperson, deputy treasurer of Culpeper county, further time in which to collect certain tax bills; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

No. 616, A bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 16, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 2, 1888, entitled an act to grant the right and privilege, for a period of twenty years, of occupancy of certain flats and water fronts on James river upon certain conditions, and to more definitely define said flats and water fronts; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. STEELE, by leave, presented

No. 617, A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Smyth county to make an allowance to Charles S. Snider; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. CLAYTOR, by leave, presented

No. 618, A bill for the relief of William A. Wingfield, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MASSIE, by leave, presented

No. 619, A bill for the relief of William H. Hite, a disabled Confederate soldier of Nelson county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 620, A bill to appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars to the Oakwood Memorial Association; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WALLACE, by leave, presented

No. 621, A bill to provide payment out of the public treasury to Stafford county, of the amount of criminal expenses erroneously paid by said county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 622, A bill to punish persons who having received advances of money, merchandise or other property on contract to pay for the same in labor, fails to do so; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 623, A bill for the relief of C. W. Powers, late treasurer of Dickenson county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

No. 624, A bill to correct clerical errors in chapter 796, Acts of 1897-'98 for the relief of C. E. Atwell; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave (by request), presented

No. 625, A bill providing for taking depositions in criminal cases; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 626, A bill to provide for better school facilities in the county of Craig and to levy a special tax therefor; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 627, A bill in relation to the commitment of minors to the custody of the Prison Association of Virginia and their detention and discharge by said association; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 628, A bill appropriating the sum of \$3,000 to the Prison Association of Virginia, and the sum of \$1,500 to the Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia for the fiscal year 1900; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, presented

No. 629, A bill to validate acknowledgments of deeds of trust taken by clerks of county courts who were or may be trustees in said deeds; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave (by request), presented

No. 630, A bill to validate defective acknowledgments to deeds, leases, and contracts taken prior to May 1, 1888; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. TATE, by leave, presented

No. 631, A bill to amend the charter of the Pulaski and Giles Insurance Company, approved February 20, 1900; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title; and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 103, House bill to declare Rapidan river a lawful fence from Liberty Mills to the line of Greene county.

On motion of Mr. JEFFRIES the committee on county, city and town was discharged from further consideration of the bill; on his further motion the bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

The hour of 12.30 having arrived a message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. DUKE, who informed the Senate that that House was ready on its part to proceed to the execution of the joint order of the day, which has for its object the election of a corporation judge for the city of Charlottesville.

On motion of Mr. OPIE he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates that the Senate was ready on its part to proceed to the execution of the joint order of the day.

Mr. BARKSDALE nominated GEORGE W. MORRIS for judge of the corporation court of Charlottesville.

And, on motion of Mr. MASSIE, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates that the only name before the Senate for judge of the corporation court of Charlottesville, was that of GEORGE W. MORRIS.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. DUKE, who informed the Senate that the only name before that house was that of GEORGE W. MORRIS.

The roll was called with the following result—ayes, 35; noes, none.

Senators who voted for GEORGE W. MORRIS, are—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Clayton, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hart-

ley, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—35.

NOES—None.

MESSRS. JEFFRIES and JAMES were appointed a committee to meet a similar committee on the part of the House and count the joint-vote, who through their chairman, reported as follows:

Whole number of votes cast,	.	.	107
Necessary to a choice,	.	.	54
Of which GEORGE W. MORRIS received,	.	.	107

GEORGE W. MORRIS having received all the votes cast, was declared duly elected judge of the corporation court of the city of Charlottesville for the legal term of that office.

No. 487, Senate bill to create Ettricks sub-school district in Matoaca school district of Chesterfield county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 581, Senate bill to provide a new charter for the city of Charlottesville and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. MORRIS offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. MORRIS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 179, Senate bill to repeal chapter 81 of the Code, and to repeal an act approved February 29, 1888, entitled an act to further define the duties and enlarge the powers of the Commissioner of Agriculture, and an act approved March 5, 1888, entitled an act to provide for a Board of Agriculture of Virginia, and making appropriations therefor, and to reform the department of agriculture, provide for the appointment of a Commissioner and Board of Agriculture, define the duties of the Commissioner and Board; to regulate the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers and impose a tax on said fertilizers, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. MANN moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was engrossed; which was agreed to.

Mr. MANN offered amendments; which were agreed to.

The bill was then read a second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and on motion of Mr. LUPTON referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 595, Senate bill to incorporate the Seawright Lithia Spring and Augusta Railroad Company, was taken up, read the second

time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. OPTE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 598, Senate bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Charles City county, Virginia, to aid in the erection of a monument to the Confederate soldiers of said county by assigning a location on the courthouse green and by contributing thereto a sum not exceeding \$300, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. TYLER (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1, Senate bill to provide for submitting to the qualified voters of the State the question of calling a Constitutional Convention, to be held for the purpose of revising and amending the present Constitution, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time, the motion of Mr. WICKHAM to reconsider the vote, by which the substitute was adopted, was agreed to.

Mr. KEEZELL offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

The substitute as amended was then adopted by the following vote—ayes, 23; noes, 11.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Johnson, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, McIlwaine, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Watkins—23.

NOES—Messrs. Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Foster, James, Jeffries, Kezzell, Massie, Morris, Munford, Steele and Wickham—11.

Mr. SANDS stated that he was paired with Mr. FAIRFAX, were he present, he would vote no and I would vote aye.

The bill was then read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. CLAYTOR (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 23; noes, 2.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, James, Johnson, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Watkins—23.

NOES—Messrs. Dinwiddie and Steele—2.

On motion of Mr. FLOOD, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 163, Senate bill to prevent corrupt practices or bribery in elections, to limit the expenses of candidates, to prescribe the duties of candidates and political committees, and providing penalties and remedies for violations of this act, and declaring void under certain conditions elections in which the provisions of this

act or any of them have been violated, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. LUPTON moved to recommit the bill to the committee on privileges and elections, which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 14; noes, 15.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Claytor, Eggleston, Flood, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Mann, Maynard, Opie, Tyler, Walker and Wallace—14.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Donohoe, Foster, Glass, Le Cato, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Watkins and Wickham—15.

Mr. BARKSDALE offered amendments, which were agreed to.

Mr. STEELE moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to recommit the bill, which was agreed to.

The question then recurring on the recommitment of the bill to the committee on privileges and elections, the bill was recommitted by the following vote—ayes, 16; noes, 14.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Claytor, Dinwiddie, Flood, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Maynard, Steele, Tyler, Walker and Wallace—16.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Donohoe, Foster, Glass, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shande, St. Clair, Tate, Watkins and Wickham—14.

On motion of Mr. CLAYTOR the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY, 23, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Kerr.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, February, 22, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to prevent the sale of adulterated and misbranded food in the State of Virginia, No. 128; an act to authorize the county school board of Chesterfield county to pay the treasurer for disbursing county and district school funds of said county, No. 267; an act to establish the Wise school district, in Wise county, providing the mode

of appointing trustees and for levying tax for district school purposes therein, and authorizing the trustees to apply money collected to payment of teachers' salaries, &c., No. 501; an act to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Southampton county to aid in the erection of a monument to the Confederate dead of said county on the courthouse square, by contributing thereto a sum not exceeding five hundred (\$500) dollars, No. 525; an act for the protection of fish and game in Occupacia creek, in the county of Essex, and to prevent obstruction to navigation in said creek, No. 544; and an act to provide a new charter for the city of Charlottesville, and to repeal all acts inconsistent therewith, No. 581.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bills entitled an act to prevent riotous or disorderly conduct in any car or caboose, or any part of a train carrying passengers or employees of any railroad or street passenger railway, No. 299; an act extending the time for the collection of tax tickets in the town of Colonial Beach, No. 203; an act to exempt the Home for Friendless Children, situated in Chesterfield county, from taxation, No. 294; and an act for the relief of J. C. Stanley, deputy treasurer of Patrick county, No. 485.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to extend the time in which R. D. Buford, ex-clerk of Bedford county court, may collect fee bills, No. 530; an act to provide for the establishment, alteration, discontinuance, and working and keeping in repair the roads and bridges of Giles county, and to punish obstructions of the road commissioners in the discharge of their duties, No. 638; an act for the relief of John E. Morris, of Newport News, Virginia, No. 642; an act to allow R. N. Turner, late treasurer of Goochland county, further time to collect taxes and levies uncollected, but accounted for by him, No. 643; an act to incorporate the Farmers Fair Association, No. 645; an act to amend and re-enact section one of an act approved January 29, 1898, entitled an act to declare the Conway river a lawful fence between the counties of Greene and Madison, No. 648; an act to authorize the county school board of Campbell county to pay the treasurer two per centum for disbursing the school fund, No. 649; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Warwick county to compensate the treasurer of said county, No. 650; an act to ratify and confirm an order entered in the circuit court of the city of Richmond, March 6, 1894, permitting James Grant and Mary Grant, his wife, to adopt as their own child Kate Woods, a female minor child under the age of fourteen, changing her name to Annie Grant, and to change the name of the said female minor child to Annie Grant, and to declare the said Annie Grant to all legal intents and purposes the child of the said James Grant and Mary Grant, No. 652; an act to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Henrico county, Virginia, to adopt sanitary rules and regulations for that portion of the said county lying within three-fourths

of a mile of the corporate limits of the city of Richmond, approved February 20, 1896, as amended by an act approved January 8, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section eight of said act above stated, No. 653; an act for the protection of game in the counties of Fauquier, Loudoun, and Prince William, No. 654; an act to amend and re-enact section six of an act entitled an act to provide for the opening and working of roads and keeping the same in repair and to provide for erecting and maintaining bridges in the county of Culpeper, approved January 25, 1898, No. 655; an act to allow William J. M. Sharpley and Joshua T. Sharpley to erect a wharf, pier, marine railway, or dry dock in Chincoteague bay, near Franklin City, Accomac county, Virginia, No. 656; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Washington county, Virginia, to compromise and settle a judgment against the securities of the late John G. Gray, late treasurer of Washington county, Virginia, in favor of Washington county, No. 657; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Albemarle county to issue bonds of the said county for the purpose of erecting bridges therein, No. 659; an act to authorize the Washington, Alexandria, and Mt. Vernon Railway Company to dispose of its surplus electric power by sale, lease or otherwise, No. 660; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to provide against nuisances near the limits of cities and towns, and within the villages of said county, No. 661; an act to prevent any fire insurance company, association or partnership, authorized to do business in this State, from entering into any compact or combination with other fire insurance companies, associations or partnerships, to make or require their agents or employees to enter into any compact, agreement or pledge, for the purpose of governing or controlling the commissions, or compensation paid said agents, No. 663; an act to amend and re-enact section 1414 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved January 13th, 1900, so as to regulate the location of cemeteries in Henrico county, and confer certain authority upon the town council of Barton Heights, No. 683; an act to authorize the town of Luray to borrow money and to repeal an act entitled an act to authorize the town of Luray to borrow money, approved January 30, 1900, No. 684; and an act to amend and re-enact section 1243 of the Code as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1243 of the Code so as to allow the counties of Floyd, Carroll and Grayson to subscribe to the capital stock of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, approved February 17, 1898, No. 685.

In which bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 530, House bill to extend the time in which R. D. Buford, ex-clerk of Bedford county court, may collect fee bills, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. CLAYTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 638, House bill to provide for the establishment, alteration, discontinuance, and working and keeping in repair the roads and bridges of Giles county, and to punish obstructions of the road commissioners in the discharge of their duties, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TATE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 642, House bill for the relief of John E. Morris, of Newport News, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 643, House bill to allow R. N. Turner, late treasurer of Goochland county, further time to collect taxes and levies uncollected, but accounted for by him, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. McILWANE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 645, House bill to incorporate the Farmers' Fair Association, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 648, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act approved January 29, 1898, entitled an act to declare the Conway river a lawful fence between the counties of Greene and Madison, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 649, House bill to authorize the county school board of Campbell county to pay the treasurer two per centum for disbursing the school fund, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 650, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Warwick county to compensate the treasurer of said county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 652, House bill to ratify and confirm an order entered in the circuit court of the city of Richmond March 6, 1894, permitting James Grant and Mary Grant, his wife, to adopt as their own child Kate Woods, a female minor child under the age of fourteen, changing her name to Annie Grant, and to change the name of the said female minor child to Annie Grant, and to declare the said Annie Grant to all legal intents and purposes the child of the said James Grant and Mary Grant, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 653, House bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Henrico county, Virginia, to adopt sanitary rules and regulations for that portion of the said county lying within three-fourths of a mile of the corporate limits of the city of Richmond, approved February 20, 1896, as amended by an act approved January 8, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section eight of said act above stated, was taken up, twice

read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 654, House bill for the protection of game in the counties of Fauquier, Loudoun, and Prince William, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 655, House bill to amend and re-enact section 6 of an act entitled an act to provide for the opening and working of roads and keeping the same in repair, and to provide for erecting and maintaining bridges in the county of Culpeper, approved January 25, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 656, House bill to allow William J. M. Sharpley and Joshua T. Sharpley to erect a wharf, pier, marine railway, or dry dock in Chincoteague bay, near Franklin city, Accomac county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 657, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Washington county, Virginia, to compromise and settle a judgment against the securities of the late John G. Gray, late treasurer of Washington county, Virginia, in favor of Washington county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. STEELE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 659, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Albemarle county to issue bonds of the said county for the purpose of erecting bridges therein, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 660, House bill to authorize the Washington, Alexandria, and Mt. Vernon Railway Company to dispose of its surplus electric power by sale, lease, or otherwise, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 661, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to provide against nuisances near the limits of cities and towns, and within the villages of said county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 663, House bill to prevent any fire insurance company, association or partnership authorized to do business in this State from entering into any compact or combination with other fire insurance companies, associations or partnerships, to make or require their agents or employees to enter into any compact, agreement or pledge for the purpose of governing or controlling the commissions or compensation paid said agents, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 683, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1414 of the

Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 15, 1900, so as to regulate the location of cemeteries in Henrico county and confer certain authority upon the town council of Barton Heights, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 684, House bill to authorize the town of Luray to borrow money and to repeal an act entitled an act to authorize the town of Luray to borrow money, approved January 30, 1900, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GOLD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. GOLD moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 685, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1243 of the Code, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1243 of the Code, so as to allow the counties of Floyd, Carroll, and Grayson to subscribe to the capital stock of the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, approved February 17, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 448, House bill to confirm and quiet the title of certain property owned by the trustees of Bethel Baptist Church in Mecklenburg county, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. EGLESTON the committee on general laws was discharged from further consideration of the bill.

The bill was then read the third time and passed with its title.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported with an amendment

No. 36, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 3195 and 3196 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal section 3197 of same Code in reference to disbarring attorneys at law.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 458, Senate bill to amend section 2564 of the Code of Virginia in relation to sale of lands when partition cannot be made.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 531, Senate bill to allow sheriffs, sergeants, or constables fee for making return on executions delivered to them by clerks of courts, in cases where no levy or forthcoming bond is taken.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 629, Senate bill to validate acknowledgments to deeds of trust taken by clerks of county courts who were or may be trustees in said deeds.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 324, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3586 (should be 3856) of the

Code of Virginia, in relation to killing trees near highways, injuring bridges, obstructing roads, and riding or driving animals or vehicles on sidewalks, &c., how punished, approved March 3, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 369, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1079 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to proceedings of court upon report of commissioners to ascertain compensation of land owners for property sought to be acquired by condemnation.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 398, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2564 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to when partition cannot be made there may be allotment or sale; proceedings in case of sale; how proceedings distributed or invested, and effect of sale or right of dower.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 399, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2298 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the remedies for or against married women.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 401, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 3435 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the bill of review.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 405, House bill to amend section 2513 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to who may not make wills, with a saving as to infants of eighteen years of age, or upwards.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 406, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2615 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to how leases on behalf of persons under disability may be made.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 407, House bill in relation to the property rights of married women, declaring how they may acquire and dispose of property; make contracts, sue and be sued, and to amend sections 2291, 2293, 2294 and 2296, chapter 103 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal sections 2284, 2285, 2286, 2287, 2288, 2289, 2290, 2292 and 2295 as amended by Acts of 1895-96 on page 486 thereof.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 434, House bill to amend and re-enact sub-section seven of section 3214 Code of Virginia edition of 1887, providing how judge of a circuit court may be sued, or when sued before he is elected judge, when the suit may be removed to any county or corporation in an adjoining circuit.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 517, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 4106 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 23, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1896, in relation to the jurisdiction of police justices and justices of the peace

as to the trial of offenders in certain cases approved February 9, 1898, providing for the prosecution of misdemeanors and the compensation of commonwealth attorneys for such service.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 611, House bill to amend and re-enact section 4018 of the Code of Virginia in relation to writs of *venire facias* in cases of felony, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 5, 1896.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 490, House bill to authorize and empower Mrs. Laura C. Webb-Peploe to dispose of certain real estate, and to make valid title thereto.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment

No. 477, Senate bill for the relief of W. W. Wood.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 578, Senate bill for the relief of James B. Abbitt.

He, from the same committee, reported with request that committee be discharged from further consideration of the bill

No. 576, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 6 of an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to provide for a Bureau of Labor and Industrial Statistics, and for defining the duties of said bureau, and appropriating money to support the same, and referred to the committee on finance and banks; which was agreed to.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 593, Senate bill for the relief of G. T. W. Kern, of Bedford city, Virginia.

He, from the same committee, report with request that committee be discharged from further consideration of the bill

No. 184, Senate bill to incorporate the Imperial Union of the city of Richmond.

Mr. LE CATO moved that the Senate refuse to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 332, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3804 of the Code, in relation to sale of intoxicating liquors, etc.; how punished.

He, from the same committee, reported with request that committee be relieved from further consideration, and that it be referred to committee on fish and game,

No. 351, House bill to incorporate the Whitlock Houson Pump-Dredge Company, to define its powers and privileges.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 373, House bill to incorporate the New River Telephone Company.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 598, House bill to incorporate the Waverly Telephone and Telegraph Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 385, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1759 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the practice of pharmacy, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 2, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1759 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the practice of pharmacy, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1894.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 477, House bill to authorize D. S. Jones to erect wharves and piers and to construct bulkheads in James river along the water fronts of the land owned by him in the counties of Warwick and Elizabeth City.

Mr. WICKHAM, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 279, House bill imposing upon railroad corporations and any receiver, trustee, lessee, mortgagee, or other person operating a railroad in the State of Virginia liability for damages or injury sustained by any person, including employees of such corporations, in consequence of the negligence, carelessness, incompetency of any officer, agent, conductor, engineer, or other employee of such corporations, receiver, trustee, lessee, mortgagee, or other person, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES, made the special and continuing order for Monday, February 26th, at 12:45 o'clock.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 590, House bill to incorporate the Onancock and Drummondtown Electric Railway Light and Power Company.

Mr. WICKHAM, from the committee on finance and banks, reported with amendment

No. 175, Senate bill to provide for the establishment of the Virginia State Colony for Epileptics and to appropriate money therefor, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. LE CARO, made the special and continuing order for Monday, February 26th, at 1 P. M.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment to title

No. 597, Senate bill to repeal section 13 of chapter 2 of an act of March 6, 1890, to provide for assessment of taxes, etc., relating to liquor licenses, and to annul and re-enact sections 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 of said chapter.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 215, House bill to amend and re-enact section 33 of chapter 244, imposing a tax on peddlers of coal and wood.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 295, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved March 4, 1894, entitled an act to provide for State banks of circulation.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 366, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 2, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 32, chapter 1, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on license to transact business, and in paying taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, or malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, relating to sale by peddlers.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 544, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act authorizing the board of supervisors of each county in the State to levy a tax on dogs, and to enforce collection of said tax, with certain penalties in case of failure to pay the same, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, as to Prince William and Shenandoah counties.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 594. House bill to allow James W. Bonner, treasurer of Bath county, and his deputies further time within which to distrain, levy and collect certain tax tickets and license taxes not returned delinquent, for which he has heretofore accounted to the State or to the county, or the districts of said county.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 612, House bill to allow Thomas C. Miller, treasurer of Wytheville, Va., further time to collect certain tax tickets yet remaining in his hands.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and town, reported without amendment

No. 575, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 75, 76, 78, 79, 80, 82 and 83 of the act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Richmond and the acts amendatory thereof, relating to the lien of the city for taxes assessed on real estate, and to the sale thereof for non-payment of taxes.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 625, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Highland county to redeem the outstanding bonds of said county issued in payment of its subscription to the capital stock of the Washington, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railroad Company, and for that purpose either to borrow money and issue its bonds therefor or to exchange new bonds for the outstanding bonds, approved March 4, 1890, and to authorize and empower the said board of supervisors to redeem any of such outstanding bonds, and for that purpose to borrow money and issue its bonds therefor or to exchange new bonds for such outstanding bonds.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 607, House bill to authorize the road board of Amherst county to borrow money, to be used in working the public roads in Pedlar magisterial district of said county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 580, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Scott county to lay levies to pay all outstanding road warrants.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 417, House bill to amend and re-enact section 9 and section 11 of an act entitled an act to provide a charter for the city of Winchester, approved April 2, 1874, as amended in the eleventh section thereof by an act approved February 26, 1896.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 569, House bill to amend the title to and re-enact an act to empower the board of supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight to borrow money, approved January 13, 1900.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 392, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads in the counties of Alleghany, Bath and Highland, approved February 12, 1884, as amended by an act approved February 1, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads in the counties of Alleghany, Bath and Highland.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 483, House bill providing a charter for the town of West Clifton Forge in the county of Alleghany.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 576, House bill to amend and re-enact section 15 and 19 of the act in force March 22, 1872, entitled an act to amend and re-enact certain acts in relation to the town of Fincastle in the county of Botetourt and to extend the corporate limits of said town.

Mr. McILWAINE, by leave, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That at 2:30 o'clock to-day the chair be vacated, and resumed again at 4 o'clock; and at the afternoon session nothing shall be considered until the Senate engrossed bills and Senate bill on second reading now on the printed calender, to which no objection is made, have been considered, which was agreed to.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. ANDERSON, who informed the Senate that that House had passed the following joint-resolution :

Whereas, Jefferson Davis, President of the late Confederate States of America, was born on the third day of June, 1808, and in order to commemorate his distinguished services as a patriot, Christian, and champion of Constitutional liberty, and at the earnest request of the Richmond Chapter, Richmond, the 17th

Virginia Regiment Chapter, Alexandria, and other chapters of the United Daughters of the Confederacy in the State; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the General Assembly of Virginia, as a mark of perpetual respect and remembrance of the said Jefferson Davis, and of the distinguished services rendered by him, that the third day of June in each year be, and the same is hereby set apart as a day of recreation in the public schools of the Commonwealth, and that the public offices of the State be closed after 12 o'clock M. of each recurrence of said day, and that the flag of the State be hoisted over the Capitol building.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 632, A bill to amend and re-enact the first section of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Ballston Railroad Company, approved February 23, 1900; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. SHANDS, by leave, presented

No. 633, A bill to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, as amended by an act approved January 24, 1900, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the revenue; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 634, A bill for the relief of John P. Holler, of the town of Pocahontas; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 635, A bill to amend and re-enact section 21 of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the town of Farmville, approved February 10, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1, 13 and 21 of the charter of the town of Farmville, approved February 20, 1900; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. GOLD, by leave, presented

No. 636, A bill to amend and re-enact section 22 chapter 95 Acts of Assembly of 1876-77, of an act approved February 17, 1877, entitled an act to provide for working and keeping the public roads in order in Clarke county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 637, A bill for the relief of Mrs. Lucy E. Yancey; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. McILWANE, by leave, presented

No. 638, A bill to release the trustees of the Upper Appomattox Company from certain duties as to navigation and for other purposes; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 639, A bill for the appropriation to the Faculty of the Medical College of Virginia, for the housing, sustenance, nursing, medicines, and surgical dressings, for the indigent sick of the State of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 640, A bill declaring Birch Creek in Halifax county to be a highway; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 641, A bill for the relief of Elizabeth Dance, widow of Thomas Dance, of Halifax county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 642, A bill for the relief of G. W. Pierce, Confederate soldier of Halifax county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 141, House bill to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act approved March 6, 1890, as amended by an act approved February 14, 1898, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases

where a court certificate is required in relation to the tax on bonds, notes and other evidences of debt, and on stocks, and so as to impose a tax on ground rents as personal property, with House amendment to Senate substitute, was taken up.

Mr. MORRIS moved to reconsider the vote, by which the Senate agreed to House amendments, which was agreed to.

On his further motion the Senate refused to concur in House amendments, and he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 573, House bill to authorize C. H. Spangler to put a fish trap in James river, in Botetourt county, at or near Dill's fall, was taken up, read the third time, and on motion of Mr. STEELE indefinitely postponed.

No. 390, Senate bill amending and re-enacting section 3063 of the Code of Virginia, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. MANN moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was rejected, which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 12; noes, 15.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Hartley, Jeffries, Mann, Massie, Morris, Opie, Sands, Watkins and Wickham—12.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Gold, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Walker and Wallace—15.

No. 488, Senate bill to provide for the funding of Coupon Bond No. 7742, of the par value of \$1,000, dated August 4, 1853, and issued under an act passed by the General Assembly May 25, 1852, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 27; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—27.

NOES—None.

Mr. MUNFORD moved to reconsider the vote; which was rejected.

No. 543, Senate bill to incorporate the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company, was taken up.

Mr. SANDS moved that the bill be made the special and continuing order for Saturday, February 24, at 12.30 o'clock; which was agreed to.

No. 64, Senate bill to amend and re-enact chapter 20 of the Acts of Assembly of 1897-1898, to prescribe and regulate the procedure by which unpaid subscriptions to joint stock companies may be recovered by said companies, their creditors, receivers,

trustees, assignees, and any other persons, being the special order of the day, was taken up.

Mr. MANN moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to engross the bill, which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 13; noes, 11.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Johnson, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Walker and Watkins—13.

NOES—Messrs. Dinwiddie, Gold, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, Wallace and Wickham—11.

Mr. FLOOD stated that he was paired with Mr. HARVEY; were he present, he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. OPIE stated that he was paired with Mr. TYLER; were he present, he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. ST. CLAIR stated that he was paired with Mr. TATE; were he present, he would vote aye and I would vote no.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 547, Senate bill to provide for the settlement with West Virginia of the proportion of the public debt of the original State of Virginia property to be borne by West Virginia, and for the due protection of the Commonwealth of Virginia in the premises, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. WICKHAM offered an amendment, which was agreed to; ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. McRAE, who informed the Senate that that house had passed

No. 44, Senate bill to incorporate the Petersburg Development and Loan Company, with amendments.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to concur in the House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 313, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2086 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 18, 1890, in relation to fishing in the waters of the commonwealth of Virginia, to provide for levying a tax on fishing devices and to provide for collecting the same, approved March 3, 1898, and to extend the provisions of said act to include all the waters within the jurisdiction of the commonwealth, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. LE CATO moved to concur in the House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 329, Senate bill to authorize a special issue of bonds by the city of Staunton for the purpose of obtaining a water supply by gravity, and empowering the said city to acquire and control the

requisite water rights and land in connection therewith, and to police the same, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. OPIE offered an amendment, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. OPIE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. OPIE the title was amended.

No. 589, Senate bill to incorporate the Blackstone and Southern Railroad Company, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. MANN (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 556, Senate bill to incorporate the Tidewater and West Virginia Railroad Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. SANDS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. DONOHUE he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles.

No. 472, To authorize the Big Stone Gap Iron Company to build branch railroads not exceeding twenty miles in length in the counties of Lee, Scott, and Wise.

No. 572, House bill to submit the question of a stock law to the voters of Brentsville district, in the county of Prince William.

No. 618, To amend the charter of the town of Manassas.

No. 571, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act of the General Assembly, approved February 19, 1898, entitled an act empowering the board of supervisors of Dickenson county to increase the salary of the county court judge of said county, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR indefinitely postponed.

No. 389, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act to extend the time for making returns of assessments for the city of Richmond and for the county of Henrico, approved February 12, 1894, with House amendments, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. SANDS moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to concur in House amendments; which was agreed to.

On his further motion the Senate agreed to concur in House amendments.

No. 381, Senate bill for the relief of D. Mott Robertson, of Appomattox county, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. FLOOD

(two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 535, Senate bill to incorporate the Herndon and Leesburg Telephone and Telegraph Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

The chair was vacated until 4 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

FRIDAY, February 23, 1900.

No. 399, Senate bill to create and maintain a State Board of Crop Pest Commissioners and to define their powers, was taken up, read the third time, and on motion of Mr. LUPTON indefinitely postponed.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 555, To authorize the city of Portsmouth to issue bonds to construct sewerage and to continue the paving and grading the streets in the Fifth Ward.

No. 473, To validate acknowledgements to deeds, leases and contracts taken by certain commissioners of the county court of Scott, Lee, Wise, Dickenson and Buchanan counties.

No. 331, To amend and re-enact section 2136 of the Code of Virginia, as to right of owner to plant oysters in any creek, &c., within his survey.

No. 442, Senate bill to charge the interests of remaindermen and tenants in reversion with taxes, levies, and assessments charged against tenants for life, was taken up, read the second time, and the Senate refused to engross the bill.

No. 565, Senate bill to authorize and empower the school trustees of the Clear Fork school district of Tazewell county, Virginia, to sell and convey certain school property, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (two-thirds concurring), was read the the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 570, Senate bill to authorize and empower the Board of Supervisors of Culpeper county to issue bonds to raise money for the purpose of providing for and erecting the necessary buildings for a poor-house, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to

be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of delegates thereof.

No. 557, Senate bill to incorporate the Tidewater Insurance Company of Virginia, was taken up, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 584, Senate bill allowing the designation of one of the justices of the county of Henrico to act as trial justice of misdemeanor cases and warrants for small claims arising within the space of three miles around the city of Richmond, in the county of Henrico, and providing for the payment of the salary of said justice out of the county funds, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. WICKHAM offered an amendment, which was agreed to; ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 585, Senate bill to require all bills hereafter introduced in the Senate and House of Delegates for the granting of certain charters of incorporation to be forthwith published in full in one of the daily newspapers published in the city of Richmond, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to reconsider the vote.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved to pass the motion by.

No. 588, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act entitled an act to protect mountain trout in the waters of Rockingham county, approved March 4, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. KEEZELL (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 518, Senate bill making it unlawful for any person to play the game commonly called craps, or any game of like kind, for money or other thing of value, and prescribing punishment of any person guilty of same, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (two-thirds concurring), was read a third time, and passed with its title.

No. 521, Senate bill to repeal section 1043 of the Code of Virginia, as amended, &c., was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (two-thirds concurring), was read a third time, and passed with its title.

No. 522, Senate bill authorizing cities and towns to make city and town levies, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed,

on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 523, Senate bill to provide for local assessments in cities and towns, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 285, Senate bill to amend and re-enact the seventh subsection of section 19, and section 38 of the charter of the city of Manchester, as enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia by an act entitled "an act to provide a charter for the city of Manchester," approved March 20, 1874, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. COGBILL (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 591, Senate bill to authorize the trustees of Nomini Baptist Church of Christ, in Westmoreland county, to sell and convey the Antioch meeting house and the lot of land on which it stands, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. BRUCE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 607, Senate bill authorizing the town of Emporia to issue bonds and borrow money for the purpose of establishing a system of water-works for said town, supplying and maintaining electric light for said town, and for establishing sewerage for said town, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. HARTLEY (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 503, Senate bill for the relief of Miss Carrie C. Sexton, of Smyth county, from erroneous assessment, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 610, Senate bill to re-enact an act entitled an act to prohibit the catching of fish with seines, weirs and nets in lake Drummond, approved February 26, 1896, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 504, Senate bill for the relief of Mrs. Fannie C. Sexton, of Smyth county, from erroneous assessment, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

No. 126, Senate bill to relieve the heirs of Adeline V. Hall from

erroneous assessment of land, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 140, Senate bill for the relief of J. H. Ruebush, of the county of Rockingham, from an improper assessment, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 515, Senate bill to prevent fire insurance companies, associations or partnerships doing business in this State from entering into any compact or combination to make or control commission or compensation paid or to be paid agents or employees, of such companies, associations or partnerships, or of any of them on account of work done or business gotten for such companies, associations or partnerships or any of them by such agents or employees, and providing a punishment for violation of this act, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE, the bill was recommitted to the committee on general laws.

No. 623, Senate bill for the relief of C. W. Powers, late treasurer of Dickenson county, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. St. CLAIR (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 502, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act entitled an act to incorporate Big Sandy and Cumberland Railroad Company, in force January 25, 1900, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. St. CLAIR (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 615, Senate bill to allow B. M. Apperson, deputy treasurer of Culpeper county, further time in which to collect certain tax bills, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

The following House bills were taken up.

Mr. LE CATO moved to reconsider the votes by which the bills were passed, which was rejected.

No. 533, To amend and re-enact section 84 of an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, approved January 16, 1896.

No. 514, To amend and re-enact section 61 of an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, approved January 16, 1896.

No. 532, To amend and re-enact section 65 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, approved January 16, 1896.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 233, To provide for the apportionment of taxes, levies, or assessments, whether State, county, or municipal, and providing for the necessary proceedings therefor.

No. 595, To authorize the re-instatement of a cause after a final decree; to appoint a commissioner in the stead of one who has died, or become otherwise incapacitated, to make the conveyance.

No. 546, To authorize the city of Bristol, Virginia, to issue bonds for street and other improvements, and to provide the mode of issuing the same, and to provide for the disposition of the funds arising from the sale of the same.

No. 605, To incorporate Old Dominion College at the town of Honaker, in Russell county.

No. 604, To authorize the school trustees of the Abingdon school district, and Central school district, of the county of Washington, to issue separate bonds of said school districts for the purpose of taking up and paying the outstanding indebtedness of the late Cave City school district.

No. 603, To amend and re-enact section 4 of an act entitled an act to establish a corporation court for the city of Bristol, in Washington county, approved February 12, 1890.

No. 602, To declare Hughes' river a lawful fence from Mitchells ford to Nethers mills, in Rappahannock and Madison counties.

No. 601, To prohibit hogs from running at large in the county of Rappahannock.

No. 600, To protect mountain trout in the waters of Rappahannock county.

No. 584, To commission officers of cadets of Newport News Military Academy.

No. 583, To incorporate the Newport News Military Academy.

No. 579, To provide for the repair and maintenance of the public roads in Princess Anne county.

No. 641, To incorporate the town of Holland, in the county of Nansemond.

No. 640, To incorporate the City Trust Company of Newport News.

No. 639, To authorize the mayor and the council of the town of Smithfield to borrow money by issuing bonds for a sum not to exceed \$3,000 to pave and repair the streets, and to build a jail for the town.

No. 637, For the relief of F. F. Ninde, treasurer of King George county, giving him further time, &c.

No. 358, To regulate hunting partridges in the county of Nelson.

No. 575, To protect mountain trout in Jennings' creek or its tributaries, in the county of Botetourt.

No. 523, To provide for the better enforcement and collection of the tax now imposed by law upon shares of stock in corporations

and joint stock companies by requiring sworn lists of the stockholders of said corporations or companies resident in this State, to be filed with the auditor of public accounts, and to direct the disposition of said lists and to prescribe penalties for the failure or refusal to file said lists, or the furnishing of a false list.

No. 565, To amend and re-enact the first and second sections of an act approved March 1, 1898, entitled an act to incorporate the Southern Branch Drawbridge Company.

No. 630, To amend and re-enact section 4 of chapter 193 of an act entitled an act to amend the charter of the town of Cape Charles, in the county of Northampton.

No. 628, To amend and re-enact section 3 of chapter 315 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the town of Cape Charles, in the county of Northampton, approved March 1, 1886.

No. 629, To empower the council of the town of Cape Charles to borrow money and issue bonds therefor for the purpose of increasing its water supply and installing a drainage or sewerage system.

No. 624, To authorize the board of supervisors of Russell county to increase the pay of the attorney of the commonwealth for the county of Russell.

No. 623, To amend and re-enact an act to prohibit hogs from running at large in the county of Warren, approved February 14, 1898.

No. 622, For the protection of sheep in Warren county, by a tax on dogs.

No. 619, To authorize the board of supervisors of Campbell county to increase the salary of the county judge of said county.

No. 506, House bill to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges of the county of Washington, and to authorize the board of supervisors to borrow money by the issue of bonds to build bridges and macadamize the roads in said county, and to authorize the qualified voters of said county to vote on the question, was taken up, read the third time, and on motion of Mr. STEELE, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. STEELE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 543, House bill to provide for the appointment of a harbor master for the county of Warwick, and to fix his duties, etc., was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. WICKHAM offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to reconsider the vote.

Mr. BLAKEY moved to pass the motion by.

No. 289, House bill for the relief of the sureties of treasurers and deputy treasurers of Henry county, by extending the time of collection and levy and distress for taxes and levies which have been already accounted for to the commonwealth and said county,

was taken up, read the third time, committee amendment agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 125, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code, in relation to fish-ladders, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code of 1887, touching fish-ladders, approved January 14, 1890, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. WICKHAM offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 482, House bill for the protection of game in the counties of Alleghany, Augusta, Bath, Botetourt, Highland, Rockbridge, and Rockingham, and prescribing penalties for violation of same, and to prohibit non-residents of the State of Virginia from hunting or killing game in any of the said counties without first obtaining a license therefor, except such non-residents as are *bona fide* owners in fee simple of real estate in one or more of said counties, and prescribing the license tax upon such non-residents, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. KEEZELL offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and on his further motion the bill was passed by.

No. 332, Senate bill to refund to the American Cement Company excess of tax for recordation of deed, was taken up.

Mr. SHANDS moved to concur in the House amendments, which was agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 402, House bill to repeal section 3830 of the Code of Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, committee substitute adopted and passed.

On motion of Mr. WICKHAM, the title was amended.

No. 284, House bill to amend and re-enact section 149 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act, approved February 8, 1898, in reference to pay of judges and clerks of elections, so far as relates to the county of Prince William, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. McILWAINE offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. DONOHUE offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 373, House bill to incorporate the New River Telephone Company, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendment agreed to, and passed with its title.

Mr. BLAKEY rose to a question of personal privilege and stated that if he had been present on yesterday when the judge of the corporation court for the city of Charlottesville was elected, that he would have voted, with pleasure, for the Honorable GEORGE W. MORRIS.

On motion of Mr. KEEZELL the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Kerr.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, February 23, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to incorporate the Christiansburg Industrial Institute of Cambria, Virginia, No. 455; an act for the relief of the congregation and members of Madison Station M. E. Church, South, in Amherst county, authorizing the establishment of Meade Memorial burying ground, and defining the duties and powers of the trustees thereof, No. 402; an act for the relief of Frank Stringfellow, No. 416; and an act to incorporate the St. Andrew's Association, No. 526.

They have passed with amendments Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 28, as heretofore amended, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wines, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, in relation to merchants' licenses, and tax on capital stock of corporations doing the business of a merchant, No. 461; and an act to incorporate the Sulphur Mining and Railroad Company, No. 472.

They have refused to pass over the objections of the Governor Senate bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 457 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to what real estate exempt from taxation, No. 108.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to provide for the submission to the people of the proposed amendment to act 10 of the Constitution of Virginia, with reference to the tax imposed on any of the citizens of the State for the privilege of taking or catching oysters from their natural beds with tongs in the waters thereof, and striking from said act 10 of said Constitution the second clause, No. 558; an act to enable the rector and the board of visitors of Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute to provide needed accommodations and equipments for students, and to appropriate money for interest and a sinking fund, No. 567; an act to amend and re-enact section 1587, chapter 70, Code of Virginia, which provides what students may attend the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and

Polytechnic Institute free of charge, No. 568; an act to incorporate the Agricultural Fair Association of Northern Virginia, No. 631; an act to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act approved January 27, 1888, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Courtland, in the county of Southampton, No. 658; an act to incorporate the Fire Insurance Salvage Corps of Richmond, No. 664; an act to incorporate the Black Mountain Coal and Coke Company, No. 665; an act to give the Bath County Telephone Company certain additional rights, as provided by sections 1287, 1288, and 1289 of the Code of Virginia, edition of 1887, and subject to the right of repeal as provided in section 1290 of said Code, No. 667; an act to provide a Harbor Master for the city of Newport News and to prescribe his jurisdiction, duties, and fees, No. 668; an act to ratify and confirm the charter of the Citizens' Telephone and Telegraph Company and to give it additional powers, No. 669; an act to incorporate the Virginia Water Power Company, No. 670; an act for the relief of Frank Garland, treasurer of Richmond county, No. 671; an act to amend and re-enact section 3436 of the Code of Virginia in reference to the jurisdiction of injunctions, No. 673; an act for the relief of W. L. Rye, of Halifax county, No. 675; an act to incorporate the Westhampton Railway Company, No. 677; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Atlantic and Western Railroad Company, approved March 4, 1898, No. 680; an act to amend and re-enact sections 75, 76, 78, 79, 80, 82, and 83 of the act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Richmond, and the acts amendatory thereof, relating to the lien of the city for taxes assessed on real estate and to the sale thereof for non-payment of taxes, No. 682; an act to transfer to the county of Shenandoah the State's interest in the Mt. Jackson and Howard Lick Turnpike Company, No. 686; an act to authorize the president of the Tredgegar Company to appoint, with the approbation of the hustings court of Richmond, a police agent, who shall be authorized to act as conservator of the peace upon the premises of the said company, No. 688; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to compensate school trustees, other than clerks of district school boards, in Prince George and Surry counties, and also the members of county school boards, No. 689; an act to prohibit the killing of sturgeon in the counties of Surry and Prince George and James river, No. 690; an act to prohibit the hauling of seine in the counties of Prince George and Surry, No. 691; an act to permit the qualified voters of any magisterial district of Floyd county to vote on a fence law, No. 692; an act to amend the game law of Pittsylvania county, No. 693; an act to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Mathews county to compromise a judgment in favor of said county against the sureties of L. C. Thomas, late treasurer of said county, No. 694; an act empowering the trustees of the parsonage property of Covington Methodist

Episcopal Church, South, to sell and convey said property, and to dispose of the proceeds of such sale and re-invest the same, No. 695; an act to allow H. H. Sneed, late treasurer of Halifax county, Virginia, and his deputies, further time to collect unpaid tax tickets now in their hands, No. 696; an act to permit J. E. Payne, of Bath county, Virginia, to register as a pharmacist without examination, and to practice pharmacy within the county of Bath, No. 666; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved January 24, 1900, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, No. 571; an act to authorize the council of the town of New Market to borrow money for certain improvements, No. 687; an act to provide for weighing leaf tobacco in warehouses, requiring proprietors thereof to furnish itemized statements, and fixing a penalty, No. 367; an act to amend and re-enact section 2 of chapter 712 of the acts of 1897 and 1898, approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to incorporate the Princess Anne, Cape Henry and Lynnhaven Bay Railway Company, No. 715; an act to authorize Dr. H. W. M. Washington and his wife to erect and maintain a wharf on or in front of their land on North river, in Mathews county, No. 726; and an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors, wine, cider, and bitters within two miles and a half of White Hall, in Buckingham county, Virginia, No. 727.

In which amendments and bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 558, House bill to provide for the submission to the people of the proposed amendment to act 10 of the Constitution of Virginia with reference to the tax imposed on any of the citizens of the State for the privilege of taking or catching oysters from their natural beds with tongs in the waters thereof, and striking from said act 10 of said Constitution the second clause, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. KEEZELL (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 567, House bill to enable the rector and board of visitors of Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute to provide needed accommodations and equipments for students and to appropriate money for interest and a sinking fund,

was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 568, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1587, chapter 70, Code of Virginia, which provides what students may attend the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute free of charge, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 631, House bill to incorporate the Agricultural Fair Association of Northern Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 658, House bill to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act approved January 27, 1888, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Courtland, in the county of Southampton, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SHANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 664, House bill to incorporate the Fire Insurance Salvage Corps of Richmond, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 665, House bill to incorporate the Black Mountain Coal and Coke Company, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 667, House bill to give to the Bath County Telephone Company certain additional rights, as provided by sections 1287, 1288, and 1289 of the Code of Virginia, edition of 1887, and subject to the right of repeal as provided in section 1290 of said Code, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 668, House bill to provide for a harbor master for the city of Newport News, etc., was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 669, House bill to ratify and confirm the charter of the Citizens Telephone and Telegraph Company and to give it additional powers, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 670, House bill to incorporate the Virginia Water Power Company, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LUPTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 671, House bill for the relief of Frank Garland, treasurer of Richmond county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 673, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3436 of the Code of Virginia in reference to the jurisdiction of injunctions, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 675, House bill for the relief of W. L. Rye, of Halifax county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 677, House bill to incorporate the Westhampton Railway Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 680, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Atlantic and Western Railroad Company, approved March 4, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 682, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 75, 76, 78, 79, 80, 82, and 83 of an act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Richmond, and the acts amendatory thereof, relating to the lien of the city for taxes assessed on real estate and to the sale thereof for non-payment of taxes, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MUNFORD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 686, House bill to transfer to the county of Shenandoah the State's interest in the Mt. Jackson and Howard Lick Turnpike Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 688, House bill to authorize the president of the Tredegar Company to appoint, with the approbation of the hustings court of Richmond, a police agent, who shall be authorized to act as conservator of the peace upon the premises of the said company, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 689, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to compensate school trustees, other than clerks of district school boards, in Prince George and Surry counties, and also the members of county school boards, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 690, House bill to prohibit the killing of sturgeon in the counties of Surry and Prince George and James river, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 691, House bill to prohibit the hauling of seine in the counties of Prince George and Surry, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 692, House bill to permit the qualified votes of any magisterial district of Floyd county to vote on a fence law, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DINWIDDIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 693, House bill to amend the game law of Pittsylvania county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MUNFORD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 694, House bill to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Mathews county to compromise a judgment in favor of said county against the sureties of L. C. Thomas, late treasurer of said county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BLAKEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 695, House bill empowering the trustees of the parsonage property of Covington Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to sell and convey said property, and to dispose of the proceeds of such sale and re-invest the same, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 696, House bill to allow H. H. Sneed, late treasurer of Halifax county, Virginia, and his deputies, further time to collect unpaid tax tickets now in their hands, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BARKSDALE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 666, House bill to permit J. E. Payne, of Bath county, Virginia, to register as a pharmacist without examination, and to practice pharmacy within the county of Bath, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 571, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved January 24, 1900, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALLACE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 687, House bill to authorize the council of the town of New Market to borrow money for certain improvements, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LUPTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 367, House bill to provide for weighing leaf tobacco in warehouses requiring proprietors thereof to furnish itemized statements and fixing a penalty, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 715, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of chapter 712 of the Acts of 1897 and 1898, approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to incorporate the Princess Anne, Cape Henry and Lynnhaven Bay Railway Company, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 726, House bill to authorize Dr. H. W. M. Washington and his wife to erect and maintain a wharf on or in front of their land on North river, in Mathews county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BLAKEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 727, House bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors, wine, cider, and bitters, within two miles and a half of White Hall, in Buckingham county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 461, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 28 as heretofore amended, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, in relation to merchants' licenses, and tax on capital stock of corporations doing the business of a merchant, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. GLASS moved to concur in the House amendments; which was agreed to.

No. 472, Senate bill to incorporate the Sulphur Mining and Railroad Company, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. WALLACE moved to concur in the House amendments; which was agreed to.

Mr. MAYNARD, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported without amendment

No. 563, House bill to incorporate Bay Shore Terminal Company.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 614, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Richmond and Tidewater Railroad Company, approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. KEEZELL, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 508, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 581 of the Code of Virginia, in regard to submitting question of liquor licenses to voters, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 8, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported with a substitute

No. 548, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 661, of the Code of Virginia, so as to provide additional grounds on which the title of certain purchases may be defeated, and to limit the time within which suit may be brought for the purpose.

And he, from the same committee, reported as a committee bill

No. 643, Senate bill appropriating the public revenue for the fiscal years ending respectively on September 30, 1900, and September 30, 1901, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. KEEZELL, was made the special and continuing order for Monday, February 26. at 1 P. M.

Mr. MORRIS, from the committee on public institutions and education, reported without amendments and recommendation that it do not pass

No. 528, Senate bill to amend and re-enact the third and fourth sub-division of section 1439 of the Code of Virginia, 1887, in reference to the duties of county school superintendents.

He, from the same committee, reported with substitute

No. 465, Senate bill to provide for the appointment of a Chaplain at the State penitentiary and to provide for the salary of such chaplain.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 608, Senate bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within one mile of the property commonly known as Walker's mill, in the county of Greensville.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 627, Senate bill in relation to the commitment of minors to the custody of the Prison Association of Virginia and their detention and discharge by said association.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 207, House bill to authorize the school board of Lipps district, in Wise county, to issue bonds to the amount of \$4,000.00 to erect and equip a school building at Coeburn, in Wise county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 599, House bill requiring the district school boards of Pleasant Grove, Butt's Road, and Deep Creek districts to hold bi-monthly meetings, and to receive compensation for the same.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 570, House bill to authorize the county school board of James City county to compensate school trustees.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 460, House bill to authorize cities and incorporated towns to establish and maintain free public libraries and reading rooms.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 606, House bill to permit the school board of Blue Grass district, in the county of Highland, to use a portion of the district school fund of said district to pay teachers.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 551, House bill to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in Patrick county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 396, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 1660 to 1712, inclusive, of the Code of Virginia, in relation to State hospitals for the insane and the commitment of insane persons.

And he, from the same committee, reported with recommendation that it do not pass

No. 649, House bill to authorize the school board of Campbell county to pay the treasurer two per centum for disbursing the school fund.

Mr. LE CATO from the committee on fish and game, reported committee bill

No. 644, Senate bill to authorize the board of fisheries to declare certain land within the limits of the Baylor survey open for planting oysters, and to authorize the assignment of the same by said board.

Mr. BARKSDALE from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment

No. 256, Senate bill to validate certain contracts made and entered into by and between the Farmville Building and Trust Company of Farmville, Virginia, and its members.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 610, House bill to validate all the acts of the parties availing themselves of and associating themselves under the act incorporating the Farmers Benevolent Fire Association.

He, from the same committee, reported with recommendation that it do not pass

No. 300, Senate bill to provide for the inspection of steam boilers and to create the office of boiler inspector.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 377, Senate bill for the relief of W. R. Coulbourn.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 378, Senate bill for the relief of James T. Noel.

He, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 568, Senate bill to incorporate the Northern Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 587, Senate bill to incorporate the West Norfolk Telephone and Telegraph Company.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 499, House bill in relation to special damages recoverable of a telegraph company.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 645, A bill for the relief of J. N. Luck, a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave (by request), presented

No. 646, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3509 of the Code of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave (by request), presented

No. 647, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3500 of the Code of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. WALLACE, by leave, presented

No. 648, A bill of relief for Sarah F. Harper and Mary L. Skinner; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WALLACE, by leave, presented

No. 649, A bill for the relief of Wesley Heflin, an ex-Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 650, A bill to increase the salary of the county judge of Cumberland and Powhatan counties; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

On his further motion he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 651, A bill for the relief of James A. Armistead; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 652, A bill to amend and re-enact section 22 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act to incorporate the town of South Boston, in the county of Halifax, approved the 30th day of January, 1888; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 653, A bill for the relief of W. S. Guy, a disabled Confed-

erate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave, presented

No. 654, A bill to provide for the working and repairing of public roads of Sussex county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 655, A bill to give the consent of the commonwealth to the purchase or acquisition of real estate by the United States government in the city of Portsmouth for a site for a public building for the accommodation of the United States postoffice, internal revenue, and other offices; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. GOLD, by leave, presented

No. 656, A bill to incorporate Valley Agricultural and Fair Association of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. GOLD moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, which was agreed to.

Mr. GOLD moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment, which was agreed to.

Mr. GOLD moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was placed on the calendar, which was agreed to.

The bill was then referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 657, A bill for the relief of the Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News Railway Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Foster, Glass, Gold, Jeffries, Johnson, Kezzell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—25.

NOES—None.

On his further motion, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No. 658, A bill for the relief of R. L. Taylor, a Confederate veteran; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave (by request), presented

No. 659, A bill to amend an act to incorporate the Richmond and Petersburg Railway Company, approved March 3, 1898, entitled in said act the Richmond and Petersburg Electric Railway Company, so as to declare the time in which it operates; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

On his further motion, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 660, A bill to approve and confirm the acts and resolutions of the council of the city of Portsmouth in reference to the issue of bonds under an act approved January 25, 1898, and to ratify the said bonds; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MASSIE, by leave, presented

No. 661, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to impose fine for trespass of swine and other stock in Rockfish district, Nelson county, approved February 9, 1900; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALKER, by leave, presented

No. 662, A bill to permit Sarah Willing and W. L. Messick to erect a wharf on Carter's creek in the county of Lancaster; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor),

was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. BLAKEY, by leave, presented

No. 663, A bill to allow John M. McCarty to erect a pier on the Rappahannock river, and to build a house thereon; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 664, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 1 and 2 of an act approved January 16, 1896, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 635, House bill to amend and re-enact section 21 of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the town of Farmville, approved February 10, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1, 13 and 21 of the charter of the town of Farmville, approved February 20, 1900, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WATKINS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 143, House bill to amend and re-enact the second sub-division of section 833 of the Code of Virginia, so as to provide for the assessment of capital used or employed in the mercantile business, for local taxation, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. KEZZELL, the Senate refused to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed.

No. 492, House bill to relieve Mary M. Smith from taxes improperly assessed against 117 acres of land in Henry district, in Hanover county, Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 23; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Foster, Gold, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—23.

NOES—None.

No. 461, House bill for the relief of the Virginia Military Institute, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Foster, Glass, Gold, Jeffries, Johnson, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Morris, Munford, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—25.

NOES—None.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PARKS, who informed the Senate that that House insists on their amendments to House bill 141, and asked for a committee of conference.

The chair appointed Messrs. JEFFRIES, MORRIS, and GLASS the committee of conference on the part of the Senate.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 643, To allow R. N. Turner, late treasurer of Goochland county, further time to collect taxes and levies uncollected, but accounted for by him.

No. 580, To authorize the board of supervisors of Scott county to lay levies to pay all outstanding road warrants.

No. 392, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in repair the public roads in the counties of Alleghany Bath, and Highland, approved February 12, 1884.

No. 848, Providing a charter for the town of West Clifton Forge, in the county of Alleghany.

No. 607, To authorize the road board of Amherst county to borrow money to be used in working the public roads in Pedlar magisterial district of said county.

No. 590, To incorporate the Onancock and Drummondtown Electric Railway, Light and Power Company.

No. 477, To authorize and permit D. S. Jones to erect wharves and piers and to construct bulkheads in James river along the water fronts of the land owned by him in the counties of Warwick and Elizabeth City.

No. 547, Senate bill to provide for the settlement with West Virginia of the proportion of the public debt of the original State of Virginia property to be borne by West Virginia, and for the due protection of the commonwealth of Virginia in the premises, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 13; noes, 9.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Foster, Glass, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, Morris, Steele, Walker and Wickham—13.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Cogbill, Gold, Keezell, Le Cato, Munford, Shands, Wallace and Watkins—9.

No. 385, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1759 of the

Code of Virginia in relation to the practice of pharmacy as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 2, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1759 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the practice of pharmacy, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1894, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. LYLE offered an amendment, which was agreed to, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. LYLE he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 550, House bill to allow H. L. Newbill to erect an oyster house or pier in Essex county.

Mr. BLAKEY moved to discharge the committee on general laws, from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. CARDWELL, who informed the Senate that that House had passed

No. 22, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, as heretofore amended, in relation to sale of delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor, with amendments.

The bill was then taken up.

Mr. JEFFRIES moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 606, House bill to provide for submitting the question of liquor license to the voters of the Court House and Temperance magisterial districts in Amherst county.

Mr. MASSIE moved that the committee on finance and banks be discharged from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time:

No. 616, To amend and re-enact an act approved February 16, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 2, 1888, entitled an act to grant the right and privilege, for a period of twenty years, of occupancy of certain flats and water-fronts on James river upon certain conditions, and to more definitely define said flats and water-fronts.

No. 441, To amend and re-enact an act to amend and re-enact section 3528 of the Code and to repeal section 3526 of the Code, in relation to fees of attorneys for the commonwealth, approved March 3, 1896.

No. 636, To amend and re-enact section 22, chapter 95, Acts of Assembly of 1876-'77 of an act approved February 17, 1877, entitled an act to provide for working and keeping the public roads in order in Clarke county.

No. 597, Senate bill to repeal section 13 of chapter 2 of the act of March 6, 1890, to provide for assessment of taxes, etc., relating to liquor licenses, and to annul and re-enact sections, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 of said chapter, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 632, Senate bill to amend and re-enact the first section of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Ballston Railroad Company, approved February 23, 1900, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

Mr. LUPTON moved to reconsider the vote.

Mr. MORRIS moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

No. 660, House bill to authorize the Washington, Alexandria and Mt. Vernon Railway Company to dispose of its surplus electric power by sale, lease, or otherwise, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. LUPTON offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. WICKHAM the Senate adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. E. N. Calisch.

Journal of Saturday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 24, 1900.

The House has passed Senate bills entitled an act to authorize the board of fisheries, under certain conditions, to compensate out of oyster fund certain planters for loss of oysters, No. 478; an act to amend and re-enact independent section 5 of an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, in relation to oysters, approved March 5, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 997 of the Acts of Assembly of 1897 and 1898, amending and re-enacting independent sections 5 and 8, approved March 4, 1898, No. 533; an act to incorporate the Brock's Gap Railroad Company, No. 567; an act to authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Charles City county, Virginia, to aid in the erection of a monument to the Confederate soldiers of said county by assigning a location on the court house green, and by contributing a sum thereto not exceeding \$300, No. 598; an act to provide for better school facilities in the county of Craig, and levy a special tax therefor, No. 626; an act

to amend the charter of the Pulaski and Giles Insurance Company, approved February 20, 1900, No. 631; and an act to amend an act to incorporate the Richmond and Petersburg Railway Company, approved March 3, 1898, entitled in said act the Richmond and Petersburg Electric Railway Company, so as to declare the time in which it operates, No. 659.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to authorize the appointment of a commission to inquire into the expediency of revising and amending the laws relating to taxation in the State of Virginia, and to suggest legislation thereon, No. 557; an act for the relief of I. M. Dean, No. 537; an act for working and keeping in order the public roads of Mecklenburg county, No. 582; an act to incorporate and enlarge the powers of the Richmond Passenger and Power Company, No. 678; an act to change the boundary lines between Bland and Giles counties, on the waters of Dry Fork, of Laurel Fork, of Wolf creek, No. 681; an act to authorize a bridge across Little Hog Island creek, in the county of Northampton, No. 702; an act to authorize a bridge across Swan's Gut, in the county of Northampton, No. 703; an act to prescribe the qualifications of arbitrators and umpires selected to ascertain losses under policies of insurance on property in the State of Virginia, No. 705; an act to amend and re-enact section two of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Point Comfort Beach Railway Company, in effect January 31, 1898, No. 706; an act to legalize primary elections and conventions in the county of Isle of Wight, No. 708; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Prince Edward to make an appropriation for the purpose of aiding in erecting a monument to the memory of the Confederate dead, No. 709; an act to amend and re-enact sections one and two of an act entitled an act to suppress tippling houses, the illegal and unlawful traffic in ardent spirits in the counties of Lee, Pulaski, Scott, Wise, Dickenson, Buchanan, Bland, and Russell, approved February 29, 1892, so as to make said act apply also to the county of Giles, No. 710; an act to allow the supervisors of Washington county to purchase fuel for the county jail, No. 711; an act to allow Thomas W. Taylor to construct a movable boom across Pamunkey river, No. 712; an act for the relief of G. R. Nichols, deputy for John W. Clay, treasurer of Campbell county, No. 714; an act to authorize the common council of the town of Chatham to issue bonds, No. 716; and an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 12, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3319, Code of Virginia, in relation to appointment of commissioners in chancery, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 4, 1890, and by an act approved February 24, 1890, and by an act approved March 4, 1892, and by an act approved January 29, 1894, and by an act approved February 27, 1894, and by an act approved January 18, 1896, No. 720.

In which bills they request the concurrence of the House.

No. 557, House bill to authorize the appointment of a commission to inquire into the expediency of revising and amending the laws relating to taxation in the State of Virginia, and to suggest legislation thereon, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 537, House bill for the relief of I. M. Dean, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 582, House bill for working and keeping in order the public roads of Mecklenburg county, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 678, House bill to incorporate and enlarge the powers of the Richmond Passenger and Power Company, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 681, House bill to change the boundary lines between Bland and Giles counties, on the waters of Dry Fork, of Laurel Fork, of Wolf creek, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 702, House bill to authorize a bridge across Little Hog Island creek, in the county of Northampton, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 703, House bill to authorize a bridge across Swan's Gut, in the county of Northampton, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 705, House bill to prescribe the qualifications of arbitrators and umpires selected to ascertain losses under policies of insurance on property in the State of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. McILWAIN (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 706, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Point Comfort Beach Railway Company, in effect January 31, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 708, House bill to legalize primary elections and conventions in the county of Isle of Wight, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

No. 709, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Prince Edward to make an appropriation for the purpose of aiding in erecting a monument to the memory of the Confederate dead, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WATKINS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the

calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 710, House bill to amend and re-enact sections one and two of an act entitled an act to suppress tippling houses, the illegal and unlawful traffic in ardent spirits in the counties of Lee, Pulaski, Scott, Wise Dickenson, Buchanan, Bland, and Russell, approved February 29, 1892, so as to make said act apply also to the county of Giles, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 711, House bill to allow the supervisors of Washington county to purchase fuel for the county jail, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. STEELE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 712, House bill to allow Thomas W. Taylor to construct a movable boom across Pamunkey river, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 714, House bill for the relief of G. R. Nichols, deputy for John W. Clay, treasurer of Campbell county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GLASS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 716, House bill to authorize the common council of the town of Chatham to issue bonds, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DINWIDDIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 720, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 12, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3319, Code of Virginia, in relation to appointment of commissioners in chancery, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 4, 1890, and by an act approved February 24, 1890, and by an act approved March 4, 1892, and by an act approved January 29, 1894, and by an act approved February 27, 1894, and by an act approved January 18, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 665, A bill to provide for opening, building, keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in Patrick county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 666, A bill to incorporate the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Association; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WATKINS, by leave, presented

No. 667, A bill to authorize the county of Powhatan to change the form of the bonds subscribed to the Farmville and Powhatan Railroad Company, and to allow the board of supervisors of said county to refund the conditional bonds; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. TATE, by leave, presented

No. 668, A bill to provide for the construction and maintenance of tramways and railways of mining, manufacturing, and lumber getting, persons, firms, and companies along or across public highways; which on his motion was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. TATE, by leave, presented

No. 669, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the garnishment of and levy of execution on wages and salaries of all State officials, clerks, and employees, approved February 24, 1900; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 670, An act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3179 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to clerk's offices, approved February 5, 1900; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 671, A bill relating to abandoned turnpikes; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

Mr. MAYNARD moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

And on his further motion the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 672, A bill relating to partridges in Norfolk county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 673, A bill relating to district school No 5, Norfolk county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. McILWANE, by leave, presented

No. 674, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Petersburg and Claremont Terminal Railroad and Improvement Company, and to define its powers," approved February, 1900, authorizing an extension of its line of railway; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

Mr. MUNFORD, by leave, presented

No. 675, A bill to provide for the incorporation of the Commonwealth Hospital and prescribing its powers; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 676, A bill in relation to roads in Norfolk county abandoned by turnpike companies; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. TYLER, by leave, presented

No. 677, A bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to incorporate Old Point Comfort College; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. KEEZELL offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the chair be vacated at 3 o'clock and resumed again at 4 o'clock, and the afternoon session shall be devoted to the consideration of Senate bill No. 643, appropriating the public revenues for the years 1900 and 1901.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McILWANE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported without amendment

No. 453, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3147 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to when and how court or judge may order greater number of jurors; duty of clerks in such case; issue *venire facias*, as amended and re-enacted by an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to

amend and re-enact sections 3146 and 3147 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to jurors.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 454, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3146 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3146 and 3147, of the Code of Virginia in relation to jurors.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 455, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3152 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to how courts may discharge jurors or dispense with their attendance and provide for the time of service of jurors, and how any person may be disqualified to serve on any jury.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 457, House bill to amend and re-enact section thirty-one hundred and forty-two of the Code of Virginia, in relation to judges of county, corporation courts to prepare annually lists of jurors.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 458, House bill to amend and re-enact section thirty-one hundred and forty-four of the Code of Virginia, in relation to names of jurors to be written on separate ballots, ballots to be folded and deposited in a secure box.

Mr. BARKSDALE from the committee on general laws reported

No. 663, House bill to prevent any fire insurance company, association or partnership authorized to do business in this State from entering into any compact or combination with other fire insurance companies, associations or partnerships, to make or require their agents or employees to enter into any compact, agreement or pledge for the purpose of governing or controlling the commissions or compensation paid said agents.

No. 634, Senate bill for the relief of John P. Haller, of the town of Pocahontas.

No. 564, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1913 of chapter 86 of the Code of Virginia relating to the standard of cord measure and of agricultural products, in relation to the standard weight of cotton seed, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 24, 1898.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD the committee on agriculture, mining and manufacturing was discharged from further consideration of the bill.

The bill was then taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 643, Senate bill appropriating the public revenue for the two fiscal years, ending respectively on September 30, 1900, and September 30, 1901, being the special order of the day, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. KEEZELL was passed by until 4 o'clock.

No. 244, Senate bill to regulate the employment of children in manufacturing and mechanical establishments, being the special order of the day, was taken up.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to postpone the bill indefinitely, which was agreed to.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 23, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the sale of delinquent lands purchased by the commonwealth.

Mr. JEFFRIES, from the conference committee, made report on the bill.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to have the report printed, which was agreed to.

No. 144, House bill to facilitate the construction of telegraph and telephone lines along and upon the right of way of railroads in the State of Virginia, and to provide for condemnation of such right of way, was taken up, read the third time, and rejected.

No. 561, House bill to provide for the submission to the people of the proposed amendments to sections 1 and 2 of article 7 of the Constitution of Virginia, and providing for the consolidation of the spring elections for county and district officers, held on the fourth Thursday in May, and providing said elections to be held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 24; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Munford, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—24.

NOES—None.

No. 390, House bill to provide for the issuing of bonds by Montgomery county to macadamize the road from Christiansburg to Blacksburg.

On motion of Mr. LYLE the committee on county, city and town was discharged from further consideration of the bill.

No. 356, House bill to create and maintain a State Board of Crop Pest Commissioners and define their powers, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, 1.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—25.

NOES—Mr. Barksdale—1.

No. 369, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1079 of the Code of Virginia in relation to proceedings of court upon report of commissioners to ascertain compensation of land owners for property sought to be acquired by condemnation, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. WICKHAM offered an amendment, which was agreed to, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 351, House bill to incorporate the Whitlock-Hansen Pump-Dredge Company, and to define its powers and privileges, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. WATKINS he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 175, Senate bill to provide for the establishment of the Virginia State Colony for Epileptics and to appropriate money therefor, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 571, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved January 24, 1900, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. MORRIS offered a substitute, which was adopted and passed.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, the title was amended.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 324, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3586 (should be 3856), of the Code of Virginia, in relation to killing trees near highways, injuring bridges, obstructing roads, and riding or driving animals or vehicles on sidewalks, &c.; how punished, approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 625, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Highland county to redeem the outstanding bonds of said county issued in payment of its subscription to the capital stock of the Washington, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railroad Company, and for that purpose either to borrow money and issue its bonds therefor or to exchange new bonds for the outstanding bonds, approved March 4, 1890, and to

authorize and empower the said board of supervisors to redeem any of such outstanding bonds, and for that purpose to borrow money and issue its bonds therefor or to exchange new bonds for such outstanding bonds, was taken up, read the third time, and on motion of Mr. JOHNSON recommitted to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 594, House bill allowing James W. Bonner, treasurer of Bath county, and his deputies further time within which to distrain, levy, and collect certain tax tickets and license taxes not returned delinquent, for which he has heretofore accounted to the State or to the county, or the districts of said county, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 366, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 2, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 32, chapter 1, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on license to transact business, and in paying taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, or malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, relating to sale by peddlers, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendment agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 598, House bill to incorporate the Waverly Telephone and Telegraph Company, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendment agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 407, House bill in relation to the property rights of married women, declaring how they may acquire and dispose of property; make contracts, sue and be sued; and to amend sections 2291, 2293, 2294, and 2296, chapter 103 of the Code of Virginia; and to repeal sections 2284, 2285, 2286, 2287, 2288, 2289, 2290, 2292, and 2295, as amended by Acts of 1895-96, on page 486 thereof, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments adopted, and passed with its title.

No. 499, House bill in relation to special damages recoverable of a telegraph company, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. BARKSDALE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 558, House bill to provide for the submission to the people of the proposed amendment to act 10 of the Constitution of Virginia with reference to the tax imposed on any of the citizens of the State for the privilege of taking or catching oysters from their natural beds with tongs in the waters thereof, and striking from said act 10 of said Constitution the second clause, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 24; noes, 2.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, St. Clair, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—24.

NOES—Messrs. Shands and Tyler—2.

No. 496, House bill for the relief of Mary E. Sawyer, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 23 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—23.

NOES—None.

No. 631, House bill to incorporate the Agricultural Fair Association of Northern Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and on motion of Mr. KEEZELL, was recommitted to the committee on general laws.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 612, To allow Thomas C. Miller, treasurer of Wytheville, Virginia, further time to collect certain tax tickets yet remaining in his hands.

No. 401, To amend and re-enact section 3435 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the bill of review.

No. 399, To amend and re-enact section 2298 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the remedies for or against married women.

No. 398, To amend and re-enact section 2564 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to when partition cannot be made there may be allotment or sale ; proceedings in case of sale ; how proceedings distributed or invested, and effect of sale on right of dower.

No. 215, To amend and re-enact section 33 of chapter 244, imposing a tax on peddlers of coal and wood.

No. 683, To amend and re-enact section 1414 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 15, 1900, so as to regulate the location of cemeteries in Henrico county and confer certain authority upon the town council of Barton Heights.

No. 576, To amend and re-enact sections 15 and 19 of the act in force March 22, 1872, entitled an act to amend and re-enact certain acts in relation to the town of Fincastle, in the county of Botetourt, and to extend the corporate limits of the said town.

No. 569, To amend the title to and re-enact an act entitled an act to empower the board of supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight to borrow money, approved January 13, 1900.

No. 611, To amend and re-enact section 4018 of the Code of

Virginia, in relation to writs of *venire facias* in cases of felony, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 5, 1896.

No. 406, To amend and re-enact section 2615 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to how leases on behalf of persons under disability may be made.

No. 405, To amend section 2513, of the Code of Virginia, in relation to who may not make wills, with a saving as to infants of 18 years of age, or upwards.

No. 544, To amend and re-enact section 3 of an act entitled an act authorizing the board of supervisors of each county in the State to levy a tax on dogs, and to enforce collection of said tax, with certain penalties in case of failure to pay the same, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, as to Prince William and Shenandoah counties.

No. 295, To amend and re-enact an act approved March 4, 1894, entitled an act to provide for State banks of circulation.

No. 490, To authorize and empower Mrs. Laura C. Webb-Peploe to dispose of certain real estate and to make valid title thereto.

No. 434, To amend and re-enact sub-section seven of section 3214, Code of Virginia, edition of 1887, providing how judge of a circuit court may be sued, or where sued before he is elected judge, when the suit may be removed to any county or corporation in an adjoining circuit.

No. 660, To authorize the Washington, Alexandria, and Mt. Vernon Railway Company to dispose of its surplus electric power by sale, lease, or otherwise.

No. 657, To authorize the board of supervisors of Washington county, Virginia, to compromise and settle a judgment against the securities of the late John G. Gray, late treasurer of Washington county, Virginia, in favor of Washington county.

No. 656, To allow William J. M. Sharpley and Joshua T. Sharpley to erect a wharf, pier, marine railway, or dry dock in Chincoteague bay, near Franklin City, Accomac county, Virginia.

No. 654, For the protection of game in the counties of Fauquier, Loudoun and Prince William.

No. 653, To amend an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Henrico county, Virginia, to adopt sanitary rules and regulations for that portion of the said county lying within three-fourths of a mile of the corporate limits of the city of Richmond, approved February 20, 1896, as amended by an act approved January 8, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section eight of said act above stated.

No. 652, To ratify and confirm an order entered in the circuit court of the city of Richmond, March 6, 1894, permitting James Grant and Mary Grant, his wife, to adopt as their own child Kate Woods, a female minor child under the age of fourteen, changing her name to Annie Grant, and to change the name of the said

female minor child to Annie Grant, and to declare the said Annie Grant to all legal intents and purposes the child of the said James Grant and Mary Grant.

No. 648, To amend and re-enact section one of an act approved January 29, 1898, entitled an act to declare the Conway river a lawful fence between the counties of Greene and Madison.

No. 638, To provide for the establishment, alteration, discontinuance, and working and keeping in repair the roads and bridges of Giles county, and to punish obstructions of the road commissioners in the discharge of their duties.

No. 610, To validate all the acts of the parties availing themselves of, and associating themselves under the act incorporating the Farmers Benevolent Fire Association.

No. 207, To authorize the school board of Lipps district, in Wise county, to issue bonds to the amount of \$4,000.00, to erect and equip a school building at Coeburn, in Wise county.

No. 599, Requiring the district school boards of Pleasant Grove, Butts Road, and Deep Creek districts to hold bi-monthly meetings, and to receive compensation for the same.

No. 570, To authorize the county school board of James City county to compensate school trustees.

No. 460, To authorize cities and incorporated towns to establish and maintain free public libraries and reading rooms, and to require the city of Richmond to establish such library and reading room.

No. 626, To permit the school board of Blue Grass district, in the county of Highland, to use a portion of the district school fund of said district to pay teachers.

No. 551, To compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in Patrick county.

No. 563, To incorporate Bay Shore Terminal Company.

No. 670, To incorporate the Virginia Water Power Company.

No. 665, To incorporate the Black Mountain Coal and Coke Company.

No. 682, To amend and re-enact sections 75, 76, 78, 79, 80, 82, and 83 of the act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Richmond, and the acts amendatory thereof, relating to the lien of the city for taxes assessed on real estate and to the sale thereof for non-payment of taxes.

No. 688, To authorize the president of the Tredegar Company to appoint, with the approbation of the Hustings court of Richmond, a police agent, who shall be authorized to act as conservator of the peace upon the premises of the said company.

No. 668, To provide for a Harbor Master for the city of Newport News, etc.

No. 671, For the relief of Frank Garland, treasurer of Richmond county.

No. 696, To allow H. H. Sneed, late treasurer of Halifax county,

Virginia, and his deputies, further time to collect unpaid tax tickets now in their hands.

No. 694, To authorize and empower the board of supervisors of Mathews county to compromise a judgment in favor of said county against the sureties of L. C. Thomas, late treasurer of said county.

No. 396, To amend and re-enact section 1660 to 1712, inclusive, of the Code of Virginia in relation to State Hospitals for the Insane and the commitment of insane persons.

No. 410, Senate bill to exempt from taxation the property of the King's Daughters' Hospital, of Portsmouth, Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 21; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Donohoe, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, St. Clair, Steele, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—21.

NOES—None.

No. 126, Senate bill to relieve the heirs of Adeline V. Hall from erroneous assessment of land, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—25.

NOES—None.

No. 140, Senate bill for the relief of J. H. Ruebush, of the county of Rockingham, from an improper assessment, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—25.

NOES—None.

No. 441, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act to amend and re-enact section 3528 of the Code, and to repeal section 3526 of the Code, in relation to fees of attorneys for the commonwealth, approved March 3, 1896, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 26; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barkadale, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 584, Allowing the designation of one of the justices of the county of Henrico to act as trial justice of misdemeanor cases and warrants for small claims arising within the space of three miles around the city of Richmond, in the county of Henrico, and providing for the payment of the salary of said justice out of the county funds.

No. 610, To re-enact an act entitled an act to prohibit the catching of fish with seines, weirs, and nets in lake Drummond, approved February 26, 1896.

No. 616, To amend and re-enact an act approved February 16, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 2, 1888, entitled an act to grant the right and privilege, for a period of twenty years, of occupancy of certain flats and water-fronts on James river upon certain conditions, and to more definitely define said flats and water-fronts.

No. 636, To amend and re-enact section 22, chapter 95, Acts of Assembly of 1876-'77, of an act approved February 17, 1877, entitled an act to provide for working and keeping the public roads in order in Clarke county.

No. 632, To amend and re-enact the first section of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Ballston Railroad Company, approved February 23, 1900.

No. 385, Senate bill to prohibit the sale of wine, malt liquor, or ardent spirits, or any mixture thereof, within one mile of any school-house or church in any of the counties of this commonwealth, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. HARTLEY the bill was indefinitely postponed.

No. 597, Senate bill to repeal section 13 of chapter 2 of the act of March 6, 1890, to provide for assessment of taxes, etc., relating to liquor licenses, and to annul and re-enact sections 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 of said chapter, was taken up.

Mr. WALKER moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was ordered to its engrossment, which was agreed to.

No. 286, Senate bill to appropriate annually the sum of \$500 to the Hollywood Memorial Association, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. McILWAINE offered an amendment.

Mr. KEEZELL offered an amendment.

Mr. STEELE presented a petition in reference to Senate bill No. 223.

No. 541, To authorize the county court and board of supervisors of Pulaski county to grant the right to erect a monument to the Confederate dead of said county on the courthouse square, or upon such other lot as may be selected by said board, and to authorize the board to levy a tax to pay for such lot.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

No. 543, House bill to provide for the appointment of a harbor master for the county of Warwick, and to fix his duties, etc., was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. WICKHAM offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

The hour of 3 P. M. having arrived, the chair was vacated until 4 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

MONDAY, February 26, 1900.

No. 643, Senate bill appropriating the public revenue for the fiscal years ending respectively on September 30, 1900, and September 30, 1901, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. MANN offered the following amendment:

“Strike out in line 83, four hundred and eighty and insert six hundred,” which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 15; noes, 6.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Flood, Foster, Hartley, Johnson, LeCato, Mann, McIlwaine, Opie, St. Clair, Steele, Walker and Watkins—15.

NOES—Messrs. Glass, Keezell, Lupton, Shands, Tyler and Wickham—6.

Mr. FLOOD offered an amendment, which was rejected.

Mr. FOSTER offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. MANN offered the following amendments:

“Amend on 7th page, 136 line, by striking out eleven and insert in lieu thereof ten.”

“Amend by adding between lines 137 and 138, one circuit judge, to-wit: The judge of the second judicial circuit two thousand dollars,” which were rejected by the following vote—ayes, 9; noes, 12.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Flood, Foster, Hartley, Harvey, Le Cato, Mann, McIlwaine and Watkins—9.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Dinwiddie, Glass, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Opie, St. Clair, Tyler, Walker and Wallace—12.

Mr. **McILWAINE** offered an amendment, which was rejected.

Mr. **KEEZELL** offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. **TYLER** offered an amendment, which was rejected.

Mr. **FOSTER** offered an amendment, which was rejected.

Mr. **LUPTON** offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. **WATKINS** offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. **WICKHAM** offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. **WATKINS** offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. **WICKHAM** offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. **EMBREY**, who informed the Senate that that House had passed

No. 676, House bill to incorporate the Rappahannock Valley Railway Company.

On motion of Mr. **WICKHAM**, the bill was taken up, twice read, and (the rules being suspended therefor), placed on the calendar.

No. 141, House bill to amend and re-enact section 8, as amended by an act approved February 14, 1898, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890.

Mr. **MORRIS**, from the conference committee, made a report recommending that the Senate concur in the House amendments, which was adopted.

Mr. **MAYNARD**, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported without amendment

No. 486, House bill to reduce the travel rate of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company from four cents per mile to three cents per mile in the State of Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 564, House bill to incorporate the Wise Terminal Company.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 471, House bill providing for the connection of railroads in the State of Virginia.

Mr. **LYLE**, by leave, presented

No. 678, A bill for the relief of Gillie Bush, a Confederate veteran; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 26, 1900.

The House has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact the seventh sub-section of section 19, and section 38 of the charter of the city of Manchester, as enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia by an act entitled an act to provide a charter for the city of Manchester, approved March 20, 1874, No. 285; an act for the relief of D. Mott Robertson, of Appomattox county, No. 381; an act for the relief of Miss Carrie C. Sexton, of Smyth county, from erroneous assessment, No. 503; an act for the relief of Mrs. Fannie C. Sexton, of Smyth county, from erroneous assessment, No. 504; an act to incorporate the Herndon and Leesburg Telephone Company, No. 535; an act to authorize the city of Portsmouth to issue bonds to construct sewerage and to continue the paving and grading the streets in the fifth ward, No. 555; an act to authorize and empower the school trustees of the Clear Fork school district of Tazewell county, Virginia, to sell and convey certain school property, No. 565; an act to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act entitled an act to protect mountain trout in the waters of Rockingham county, approved March 4, 1898, No. 588; an act to incorporate the Tidewater Insurance Company of Virginia, No. 557; an act for the relief of C. W. Powers, late treasurer of Dickenson county, No. 623; an act to incorporate the Tidewater and West Virginia Railroad Company, No. 556; and an act to approve and confirm the acts and resolutions of the council of the city of Portsmouth in reference to the issue of bonds under an act approved January 25, 1898, and to ratify the said bonds, No. 660.

They refuse to recede from their amendment to the substitute of the Senate to House bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act approved March 6, 1890, as amended by an act approved February 14, 1898, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay

the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining license to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, No. 141, and ask a committee of conference.

They have agreed to the amendment of the Senate to House bills entitled an act to incorporate the New River Telephone Company, No. 373; an act to amend and re-enact section 1759 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the practice of pharmacy, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 2, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 1759 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the practice of pharmacy, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1894, No. 385; and an act to amend and re-enact an act approved January 24, 1900, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525, of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of the fees of the commissioner of the revenue, No. 571.

They have agreed to the recommendations of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on Senate bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia as heretofore amended, in relation to the sale of delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor, No. 23.

They have passed with amendments in the nature of a substitute Senate bill entitled an act to prohibit the raking, scraping, and roughing of natural oyster rocks on the eastern or ocean side of Accomac and Northampton counties, No. 534; and an act authorizing the town of Emporia to issue bonds and borrow money for the purpose of establishing a system of water-works for said town, supplying and maintaining electric lights for said town, and for establishing sewerage for said town, No. 607.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to transfer the States interest in the Warm Springs and Harrisonburg Turnpike Road, so far as the said road runs through the county of Augusta, to the board of supervisors of said county, and to reduce the maximum rates of toll on said road in the county of Rockingham, No. 411; an act to incorporate the Independence and Grayson Railroad company, No. 679; an act for the relief of the sureties of L. C. Thomas, late treasurer of Mathews county, No. 698; an act to incorporate the Norfolk, Gas, Light, and Fuel Company of Norfolk, Virginia, No. 699; an act to incorporate the Virginia Sewerage

Company, No. 700; an act to ratify, confirm, and amend the charter of the Norfolk Heat, Light, and Power Company, No. 701; an act to provide a road law for Rappahannock county, No. 718; an act to provide for taxation of dogs in county of Rappahannock and protection of sheep therein, No. 719; an act to incorporate the town of Hillsville, No. 722; an act to incorporate the town of Chincoteague, Accomac county, No. 723; an act to provide a road law for Campbell county, No. 724; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of the counties of Gloucester and Mathews to make a special levy to be known as the Confederate relief fund, approved March 2, 1898, No. 725; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Alexandria county to enforce the lien for all county, road, and school taxes that may now be due or may hereafter become due by suit in equity, and to empower the circuit court of Alexandria county to entertain such suit and enforce the provisions of this act by sale of the real estate upon which said taxes are a lien, No. 728; an act entitled an act to repeal an act, approved March 3, 1892, entitled an act to require prisoners charged with a capital offense, and on trial in a county court, to select in which court he shall be tried before making a motion for a continuance, No. 729; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 11, 1898, entitled an act to impose additional duties upon the examiner of records of the several judicial circuits, with reference to ships, tug-boats, barges, boats, or other water craft, No. 730; an act to allow sheriffs, sergeants, or constables a fee for making return on executions delivered to them by the clerks of courts in cases where no levy or forthcoming bond is taken, No. 731; an act to ratify, confirm and amend the charter of the Norfolk Electric Company, No. 735; an act to enlarge the powers of the Charlotte Williams hospital, No. 736; an act to incorporate the Bohemian-Slavonic Farmers Mutual Benefit Insurance Society of Virginia, No. 737; an act to amend and re-enact section one of an act to incorporate the Virginia Electric Railway Company, approved February 27, 1894, and to change the name thereof to the Virginia Railway and Electric Company, approved February 16, 1898, No. 738; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to require the payment of fees on certain charters, approved February 10, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 28, 1890, and further amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 22, 1894, and further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1896, and as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 1, 1898, No. 739; an act to give the consent of the commonwealth to the purchase or acquisition of real estate by the United States government in the city of Portsmouth for a site of a public building for the accommodation of the United States postoffice, internal revenue, and other offices, No. 740; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Orange county

to pay the treasurer two per centum for disbursing school funds, No. 741; an act to provide a vacation for the guards of the Virginia penitentiary, No. 742; an act to amend and re-enact section one of the charter of the town of Buchanan, in the county of Botetourt, approved March 4, 1898, No. 743; an act to authorize the boards of supervisors of Prince George and Surry counties to have the lands of all persons in said counties, or in selected portions thereof, or of individuals who may request it, processioned, No. 745; an act authorizing and empowering the Washington and Alexandria Turnpike Company to dispose of its property, and surrender its charter and franchises, No. 746; an act to amend and re-enact chapter 740 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, session of 1897-'98, entitled an act for the relief of Wiley W. Duncan, No. 748; an act authorizing the district school boards of Campbell county to expend surplus district school funds for the pay of teachers, No. 750; an act to incorporate Little Bay Lodge, No. 177, I. O. O. F., in Lancaster county, Virginia, No. 751; an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act approved December 19, 1893, entitled an act to change the name of the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, and to amend and re-enact sections 1 and 9 of an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, and also to amend and re-enact sections 2, 3, 5, and 15 of an act approved January 19, 1892, entitled an act to amend sections 2, 3, 5, 11, and 15 of an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, approved March 4, 1890, and also to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, and also to amend and re-enact section 11 of an act approved January 19, 1892, entitled an act to amend sections 2, 3, 5, 11, and 15 of an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, approved March 4, 1890, No. 752; an act to amend and re-enact sections 1 and 2 of an act approved January 16, 1896, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, No. 721; an act to amend and re-enact sections thirteen and seventeen of an act approved March 4, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for a method of voting by ballot, approved March 6, 1894, No. 443; and an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section one hundred and seventeen of the Code of Virginia, with reference to how judges of election appointed; failing to attend; who to act; approved March 3, 1898, No. 498.

In which amendments and bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 534, Senate bill to prohibit the raking, scraping, and rough-

ing of natural oyster rocks on the eastern or ocean side of Accomac and Northampton counties, with house amendments, was taken up.

Mr. LE CATO moved that the Senate concur in the House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 607, Senate bill authorizing the town of Emporia to issue bonds and borrow money for the purpose of establishing a system of water-works for said town, supplying and maintaining electric lights for said town, and for establishing sewerage for said town, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. HARTLEY moved that the Senate concur in the House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 411. House bill fixing the rates of toll upon the Warm Springs and Harrisonburg turnpike, and repealing all existing law in conflict with this act so far as it effects said turnpike, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 679, House bill to incorporate the Independence and Grayson Railroad Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 698, House bill for the relief of the sureties of L. C. Thomas, late treasurer of Mathews county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 699, House bill to incorporate the Norfolk, Gas, Light, and Fuel Company of Norfolk, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 700, House bill to incorporate the Virginia Sewerage Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 701, House bill to ratify, confirm, and amend the charter of the Norfolk Heat, Light, and Power Company, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 718, House bill to provide a road law for Rappahannock county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 719, House bill to provide for taxation of dogs in county of Rappahannock and protection of sheep therein, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 722, House bill to incorporate the town of Hillsville, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. HARVEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 723, House bill to incorporate the town of Chincoteague, Accomac county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 724, House bill to provide a road law for Campbell county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GLASS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 725, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the boards of supervisors of the counties of Gloucester and Mathews to make a special levy, to be known as the Confederate Relief Fund, approved March 2, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 728, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Alexandria county to enforce the lien for all county, road, and school taxes that may now be due, or may hereafter become due, by suit in equity, and to empower the circuit court of Alexandria county to entertain such suit and enforce the provisions of this act by sale of the real estate upon which said taxes are a lien, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 729, House bill entitled an act to repeal an act approved March 3, 1892, entitled an act to require prisoners charged with a capital offence, and on trial in a county court, to select in which court he shall be tried before making a motion for a continuance, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 730, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 11, 1898, entitled an act to impose additional duties upon the examiner of records of the several judicial circuits, with reference to ships, tug-boats, barges, boats, or other water craft, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 731, House bill to allow sheriffs, sergeants, or constables a fee for making return on executions delivered to them by the clerks of courts in cases where no levy or forthcoming bond is taken, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 735, House bill to ratify, confirm, and amend the charter of the Norfolk Electric Company, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 736, House bill to enlarge the powers of the Charlotte Williams hospital, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MUNFORD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 737, House bill to incorporate the Bohemian-Slavonic Farmers Mutual Benefit Insurance Society of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 738, House bill to amend and re-enact section one of an act to incorporate the Virginia Electric Railway Company, approved February 27, 1894, and to change the name thereof to the Virginia Railway and Electric Company, approved February 16, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 739, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to require the payment of fees on certain charters, approved February 10, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 28, 1890, and further amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 22, 1894, and further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1896, and as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 1, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 740, House bill to give the consent of the commonwealth to the purchase or acquisition of real estate by the United States Government, in the city of Portsmouth, for a site of a public building for the accommodation of the United States post-office, internal revenue, and other offices, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MAYNARD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 741, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Orange to pay the treasurer two per centum for disbursing school funds, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

No. 742, House bill to provide a vacation for the guards of the Virginia Penitentiary, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 743, House bill to amend and re-enact section one of the charter of the town of Buchanan, in the county of Botetourt, approved March 4, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 745, House bill to authorize the boards of supervisors of Prince George and Surry counties to have the lands of all persons in said counties, or in selected portions thereof, or of individuals who may request it, processioned, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 746, House bill authorizing and empowering the Washington and Alexandria Turnpike Company to dispose of its property and surrender its charter and franchises, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 748, House bill to amend and re-enact chapter 740 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, session of 1897-'98, entitled an act for the relief of Wiley W. Duncan, was taken up,

twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 750, House bill authorizing the district school boards of Campbell county to expend surplus district school funds for the pay of teachers, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GLASS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 751, House bill to incorporate Little Bay Lodge, number 177, I. O. O. F., in Lancaster county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALKER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 752, House bill to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act approved December 19, 1893, entitled an act to change the name of the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, and to amend and re-enact sections 1 and 9 of an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, and also to amend and re-enact sections 2, 3, 5, and 15 of an act approved January 19, 1892, entitled an act to amend sections 2, 3, 5, 11, and 15 of an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, approved March 4, 1890, and also to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, and also to amend and re-enact section 11 of an act approved January 19, 1892, entitled an act to amend sections 2, 3, 5, 11, and 15 of an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, approved March 4, 1890, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 721, House bill to amend and re-enact sections one and two of an act, approved January 16th, 1896, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 443, House bill to amend and re-enact sections thirteen and seventeen of an act approved March 4, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for a method of voting by ballot, approved March 6, 1894, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

No. 498, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section one hundred and seventeen of the Code of Virginia, with reference to how judges of election appointed; failing to attend; who to act; approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on privileges and elections.

Mr. WICKHAM, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment.

No. 179, Senate bill to repeal chapter 81 of the Code, and to repeal an act approved February 29, 1888, entitled an act to further

define the duties and enlarge the powers of the Commissioner of Agriculture, and an act approved March 5, 1888, entitled an act to provide for a Board of Agriculture of Virginia, and making appropriation therefor, and to reform the department of agriculture, provide for the appointment of a Commissioner and Board of Agriculture, define the duties of the Commissioner and Board; to regulate the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers and impose a tax on said fertilizers, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, 4.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Le Cato, Mann, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—25.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Keezell, Lupton and Walker—4.

He, from the same committee, reported with a substitute
No. 338, Senate bill for the relief of Chas. S. Snider, late deputy sheriff of Smyth county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment
No. 559, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 373 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to prescribe the mode of appointment, term of office, and duties of the Adjutant-General, approved March 3, 1892, in relation to the salary of the Adjutant-General.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment
No. 572, Senate bill authorizing and directing the entry of satisfaction on the judgment lien docket of Wise county of a certain judgment in favor of the commonwealth against Ira Gilliam, late sheriff of Wise county, and the sureties on his official bond as such sheriff.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment
No. 576, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 6 of an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to provide for a Bureau of Labor and Industrial Statistics, and for defining the duties of said bureau and appropriating money to support the same.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment
No. 621, Senate bill to provide payment out of the public treasury to Stafford county of the amount of criminal expenses erroneously paid by said county, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WALLACE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 26; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIl-

waine, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Steele, Tyler, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 628, Senate bill appropriating the sum of \$3,000 to the Prison Association of Virginia, and the sum of \$1,500 to the Negro Reformatory of Virginia, for the fiscal year 1900.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 430, House bill for the relief of Caroline Pool and her sureties from the payment of fines imposed by a justice of the peace of Grayson county and confirmed by the county court of said county for selling spirituous liquors without a State license so to do.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 493, House bill for the relief of R. M. Robinett, of the city of Roanoke, from the payment of a fine imposed by the hustings court of Roanoke city.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 567, House bill to enable the rector and the board of visitors of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute to provide needed accommodations and equipment for the students, and to appropriate money for interest and a sinking fund.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 586, House bill for the relief of Benjamin T. Gunter, Jr., of Accomac county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 621, House bill for the relief of Mary J. Webb, by refunding certain State taxes erroneously paid by her.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 675, House bill for relief of W. L. Rye, of Halifax county.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and town, reported without amendment

No. 346, House bill to authorize the boards of supervisors of Southampton and Isle of Wight counties to have the lands of all persons in said counties, or in selected portions thereof, or individuals who may request it, processioned.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 650, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Warwick county to compensate the treasurer of said county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 110, House bill to provide for making, building, and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in Grayson county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 244, House bill to prevent hogs from running at large in the county of Grayson.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 229, House bill to amend and re-enact an act to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Carroll to let to contract the roads of said county, and levy a tax to keep the same in order, approved February 29, 1892, and acts amendatory thereof, approved, respectively, January 22, 1894, and February 2, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 661, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to provide against nuisances near the limits of cities and towns, and within the villages of said county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 582, House bill for working and keeping in order the public roads of Mecklenburg county.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 654, Senate bill to provide for working and repairing the public roads of Sussex county.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 542, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to define the corporate limits and charter for the city of Williamsburg, approved March 17, 1884, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. TYLER (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. MORRIS, from the committee on public institutions and education, made a report of sub-committee on Western State Hospital, Normal Collegiate Institute, Petersburg, Va., and Virginia Deaf and Blind School.

To the Committee on Public Institutions and Education of the Senate:

Your sub-committee appointed to visit and inspect the Western State Hospital, at Staunton, beg leave to report that on the 7th February, 1900, they visited said hospital and were courteously received by the officers thereof. They were afforded every facility for making a thorough examination of the premises. They find the buildings in good condition, the wards cleanly kept, and every attention paid to the safety and comfort of the unhappy inmates. The patients are treated by skilled physicians and constantly attended by watchful trained nurses, and everything which skill, attentive nursing and patient service can do is done for the amelioration of their unfortunate condition.

We respectfully commend this institution to the continued good opinion and care of the General Assembly.

THOS. L. TATE, *Chairman.*

To the Senate Committee on Public Institutions:

Your sub-committee appointed to visit and inspect the Virginia Normal Collegiate Institute at Petersburg, Va., respectfully report that on the 27th day of January, 1900, they visited said institution and made the inspection required. After a thorough inspection of all the buildings and class rooms, bed rooms, and engine room (used for heating purposes), your committee have to say that they found all the premises and public property in excellent condition. The eleven class rooms are kept fresh and clean, and the bed rooms scoured weekly. In this connection your committee would say, that they visited the institution without

giving any notice to the authorities of their coming, and, therefore, saw the premises in their ordinary and usual condition, and without special preparation for their inspection. They were afforded every facility for a thorough examination by the officials.

In reference to the educational features of the institution, we report that there are now at the school:

Male teachers.....	7
Female teachers.....	5
Male students.....	155
Female students.....	185

In the Normal Department there are:

In preparatory classes.....	185
In junior classes.....	60
In intermediate classes.....	55
In senior classes.....	35

In the Advance Course Department there are:

Freshmen.....	2
Sophomores.....	10
Juniors.....	3
Seniors.....	12

Of the students now in attendance forty-eight (48) will graduate in May, 1900.

It is very creditable to this institution that of its 332 graduates since 1886, 282 or 85 per cent. have been teachers presumably in the public schools of the State, and 235 are now engaged in teaching. These figures show the value of the institution as a school for the education of colored teachers.

The school is now in receipt of appropriations of money as follows:

From the State.....	\$15,000 00
From Peabody Fund.....	550 00

Out of the State appropriation is paid the tuition and other expenses of 200 State students, except their board, which is paid by themselves. The expense for board, \$40.00 per session of eight months, is very reasonable.

The session commences in September, lasting, as already stated, eight months.

Among the features of value to the school is a very creditable library for the use of the students, who are allowed to keep the books out two weeks at a time. The library is open daily from 3 to 4 o'clock P. M. Another feature of the institution which is a source of much pleasure to the students is the school brass band, composed of male students. Your committee has to thank this band for some very good music rendered for their entertainment.

In conclusion, your committee would say, as the result of their visit and inspection, that they find nothing in reference to this State institution which is not in the highest degree commendatory of the institution, and of its officers, teachers, and students.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS L. TATE, *Chairman*.
THOMAS E. BLAKEY,
D. E. TYLER,
A. D. WATKINS.

To the Committee on Public Institutions, &c., of the Senate of Virginia:

Your sub-committee appointed to inspect the Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind, at Staunton, Va., beg leave, respectfully, to report that:

On the 7th day of February, 1900, they visited that institution and were most courteously received by the officials of said school, and by them afforded every facility for a complete examination of the premises and property. They found upon such examination that the buildings were in good order (some of them, however, needing repainting), the various rooms, school rooms, and shops being in nice condition, clean and orderly. Everything is done that can be done for the proper education of the pupils and their preparation for practical work.

Our attention was called by the officials to the following needs of the school :

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| (1) An appropriation to pay off the present indebtedness of the school, say..... | \$5,000 00 |
| (2) Improvement of the laundry..... | 1,200 00 |
| (3) Increase of annual appropriation from \$35,000 to \$40,000..... | 5,000 00 |

This increase is rendered necessary by the increase in the attendance of 45 per cent. in the last three years.

We invite the careful consideration of the committee and the General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS L. TATE, *Chairman.*

No. 631, House bill to incorporate the Agricultural Fair Association of Northern, Virginia, was taken up.

Mr. FLOOD moved to discharge the committee on general laws from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to, the bill was then read the third time.

Mr. DONOHOE offered amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 643, Senate bill appropriating the public revenue for the two fiscal years ending respectively on September 30, 1900, and September 30, 1901, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyier, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

On motion of Mr. KEEZELL he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported without amendment

No. 596, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2498 of the Code of Virginia as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 27, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 29, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 28, 1898, and as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1898, in relation to deeds of trust and other incumbrances.

Mr. OPIE, by leave, presented

No. 679, A bill to incorporate Dumps Creek Railroad and Mining Company ; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time ; and being

forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 680, A bill to amend and re-enact section 3874 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to land-owners in Rockingham county keeping streams flowing through their lands free from obstructions; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WALKER, by leave, presented

No. 681, A bill to amend and re-enact an act providing for compensation of school trustees, other than clerks, in Westmoreland and Northumberland counties, approved February 2, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 682, A bill to amend and re-enact section 7 of the charter for the town of Stuart, in Patrick county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 663, House bill to prevent any fire insurance company, association, or partnership authorized to do business in this State from entering into any compact or combination with other fire insurance companies, associations, or partnerships, to make or require their agents or employees to enter into any compact, agreement, or pledge for the purpose of governing or controlling the commissions or compensation paid said agents, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. BARKSDALE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. OPIR, from the joint committee appointed to investigate the Soldiers' Home, made their report, which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

A message was received from the governor, by his private sec-

retary, in relation to the appointment of State boards for the various institutions of the State.

No. 543, Senate bill to incorporate the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. GLASS offered an amendment to the committee amendments, which was agreed to.

Mr. GLASS offered a further amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. FLOOD moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment was adopted, which was agreed to.

Mr. GLASS offered a further amendment.

Mr. JEFFRIES offered a substitute for Mr. GLASS' amendment.

On motion of Mr. TYLER, the chair was vacated until 4 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

TUESDAY, February 27, 1900.

No. 543, Senate bill to incorporate the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company, being the special and continuing order, was taken up.

Mr. GLASS offered an amendment.

Mr. JEFFRIES offered a substitute for Mr. GLASS's amendment.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 683, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 3, 4, and 5 of an act approved February 23, 1888, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Blackstone, Nottoway county, Va.; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

On motion of Mr. EGGLESTON, the Senate adjourned until 11 A. M. to-morrow.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY, 28, 1900.

President *pro tem.* H. T. WICKHAM in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 27, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to incorporate the Stonewall Jackson Memorial Association, No.

666; an act to incorporate the Blackstone and Southern Railroad Company, No. 589; an act to amend and re-enact section 21 of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the town of Farmville, approved February 10, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 1, 13, and 20 of the charter of the town of Farmville, approved February 20, 1900, No. 635; an act to allow the board of supervisors of the county of Cumberland and the board of supervisors of the county of Powhatan, to increase the salary of the judge of the county court of said counties, No. 650; an act to create Ettrick's sub-school district in Matoaca school district of Chesterfield county, No. 487; an act to amend and re-enact section 22 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act to incorporate the town of South Boston in the county of Halifax, approved the 30th day of January, 1888, No. 652; an act for the relief of the Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Newport News Railway Company, No. 657; an act to authorize Sarah Willing and W. L. Messick to erect a wharf on Carter's creek, in the county of Lancaster, No. 662; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to impose fine for trespass of swine and other stock in Rockfish district, Nelson county, approved February 9, 1900, No. 661; an act to provide for a special appropriation to the Southwestern State Hospital, No. 241; an act to incorporate Dumps Creek Railroad and Mining Company, No. 679; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to define the corporate limits and charter for the city of Williamsburg, approved March 17, 1884, No. 542; an act to incorporate the Seawright Lithia Spring and Augusta Railroad Company, No. 595; and an act to authorize and empower the Board of Supervisors of Culpeper county to issue bonds to raise money for the purpose of providing for and erecting the necessary buildings for a poor house, No. 570.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 149 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 8, 1898, in reference to pay of judges of election so far as it relates to the counties of Prince William, Rappahannock, Rockingham, Warwick, Prince George, Surry, Amherst, Greene, Madison, Campbell, Tazewell, Scott, Mecklenburg, Amelia, Buckingham, Cumberland, Prince Edward, Russell, Culpeper, Pittsylvania and Frederick, No. 284; and an act to incorporate the Whitlock Hanson Pump-Dredge Company, to define its powers and privileges, No. 351.

They have passed with amendments Senate bills entitled an act to provide for a bond issue in the city of Staunton for a water supply, when approved by a vote of the people, No. 329; an act to allow lessees of fifty or more contiguous acres of planting ground to dredge or scrape the same under certain conditions, and to impose a penalty for dredging or scraping planting grounds, except

as provided for in this act, No. 292; and an act to amend and re-enact section one of chapter 58 of the Acts of 1889-90, approved February 11, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the appointment of assistant commissioners of accounts, and to define their duties and powers, No. 514.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3528 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal section 3526 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to fees of attorneys for the commonwealth, approved March 3, 1896, No. 436; an act confirming the action of the city council of Alexandria, Virginia, authorizing the use of certain of its streets by the Southern Railway Company and other railroad companies for the tracks, switches, and turnouts of said companies, and confirming to certain firms, individuals, and corporations rights with respect to the same, as herein particularly set forth, No. 707; an act to provide for the establishment of a dispensary for the sale of intoxicating liquors in Franklin Magisterial District in Southampton county Virginia, No. 713; an act for the relief of James H. Wilson, No. 753; an act to authorize courts to exclude from all trials of felony or misdemeanor cases all persons whose presence is not deemed necessary, No. 756; an act to amend the charter of the Guarantee Building, Loan, and Trust Company of Richmond, Virginia, No. 757; an act to declare the Robertson river in Madison county a lawful fence No. 758; an act to declare Rose river in Madison county a lawful fence, No. 759; an act to amend and re-enact section one of an act to protect partridges in the counties of Gloucester and Mathews, approved January 18, 1898, No. 760; an act to provide for the improvement of roads in Wythe county, No. 761; an act to allow Levin Lynch to erect a wharf in Chincoteague bay, Accomac county, No. 762; an act to regulate the taking of oysters from the waters of the Potomac river above a line drawn from Mathias Point in King George county, Virginia, to Windmill Point in Charles county, Maryland, No. 763; an act to legalize primary elections in the county of Culpeper, No. 764; an act enabling the personal representative of Sallie H. Kramer to pay certain moneys to the trustees of the Christian Church in Strasburg, Va., under provisions of her will, No. 765; an act to regulate the hunting and killing or capturing of partridges (or quail) in the county of Norfolk, No. 766; an act to authorize the school trustees of school district No. 5, in Norfolk county to sell and convey certain school houses and lots in the town of Berkley and the village of South Norfolk, No. 767; an act for the protection of fish in the north branch of the Shenandoah river and its tributaries, above the Shenandoah county line, and in the county of Rockingham, No. 768; an act to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges of the county of Washington, and to authorize the board of supervisors to borrow money by the issue of bonds, and to build bridges and macadamize the

roads in said county, and to authorize the qualified voters of said county to vote on the question, No. 769; an act to provide for the construction and maintainance of tramways and railways of mining, manufacturing, and lumber getting persons, firms, and companies along or across public highways, No. 755; an act to prevent hogs from running at large in Page county, No. 785; an act to amend section 2 of an act incorporating the town of Luray, No. 786; an act to allow the voters of Brown Hill district to vote upon the question of the no-fence law, and to fix the rights of all parties concerned should it be adopted, No. 789; an act for the protection of farmers in Buckingham, by requiring license of labor agents, and imposing penalty for violation, No. 795; and an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the Maysville magisterial district and other magisterial districts of Buckingham county to vote a subscription towards the construction and extension of the Buckingham Branch of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway to Buckingham courthouse, approved February 28, 1898, and to authorize a subscription toward the construction of a railroad from some point on said Buckingham branch, in said district, to or near Buckingham courthouse, and to extension of said proposed railway, No. 796.

In which amendments and bills they request the concurrence of the senate.

No. 436, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3528 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal section 3526 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to fees of attorneys for the commonwealth, approved March 3, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 28; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Gold, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, McIlwaine, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—28.

NOES—None.

No. 755, House bill to provide for the construction and maintainance of tramways and railways of mining, manufacturing, and lumber getting persons, firms, and companies along or across public highways, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WATKINS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 756, House bill to authorize courts to exclude from all

trials of felony or misdemeanor cases all persons whose presence is not deemed necessary, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 757, House bill to amend the charter of the Guarantee Building, Loan, and Trust Company of Richmond, Virginia, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 758, House bill to declare the Robertson river in Madison county a lawful fence, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 759, House bill to declare Rose river in Madison county a lawful fence, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 760, House bill to amend and re-enact section one of an act to protect partridges in the counties of Gloucester and Mathews, approved January 18, 1898, was taken up, twice read and no motion of Mr. BLAKEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 761, House bill to provide for the improvement of roads in Wythe county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 762, House bill to allow Levin Lynch to erect a wharf in Chincoteague bay, Accomac county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 768, House bill to regulate the taking of oysters from the waters of the Potomac river above a line drawn from Mathias Point in King George county, Virginia, to Windmill Point in Charles county, Maryland, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 764, House bill to legalize primary elections in the county of Culpeper, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 765, House bill enabling the personal representative of Sallie H. Kramer to pay certain moneys to the trustees of the Christian Church in Strasburg, Virginia, under provisions of her will, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LUPTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 766, House bill to regulate the hunting and killing or capturing of partridges (or quail) in the county of Norfolk, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MAYNARD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 767, House bill to authorize the school trustees of school

district No. 5, in Norfolk county, to sell and convey certain school houses and lots in the town of Berkley and the village of South Norfolk, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MAYNARD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 768, House bill for the protection of fish in the north branch of the Shenandoah river and its tributaries, above the Shenandoah county line, and in the county of Rockingham, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 769, House bill to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges of the county of Washington, and to authorize the board of supervisors to borrow money by the issue of bonds, and to build bridges and macadamize the roads in said county, and to authorize the qualified voters of said county to vote on the question, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. STEELE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 785, House bill to prevent hogs from running at large in Page county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GOLD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 713, House bill to provide for the establishment of a dispensary for the sale of intoxicating liquors in Franklin Magisterial District in Southampton county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SHANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 753, House bill for the relief of Jamee H. Wilson, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 786, House bill to amend section 2 of an act incorporating the town of Luray, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GOLD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 789, House bill to allow the voters of Brown Hill district to vote upon the question of the no-fence law and to fix the right of all parties concerned should it be adopted, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DINWIDDIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 795, House bill for the protection of farmers, &c., in Buckingham by requiring license of labor agents and imposing penalty for violation, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 796, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the Maysville magisterial district and other magisterial districts of Buckingham county to vote a subscription towards the construction and extension of the Buckingham branch of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway to Buckingham courthouse, approved February 28, 1898; and to authorize a subscription

toward the construction of a railroad from some point on said Buckingham branch in said district to or near Buckingham courthouse and to extension of said proposed railway, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 707, House bill confirming the action of the city of Alexandria, Virginia, authorizing the use of certain of its streets by the Southern Railway Company and other railroad companies for the tracks, switches, and turnouts of said companies, and confirming to certain firms, individuals, and corporations, rights with respect to the same as herein particularly set forth, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 292, House bill for the protection of partridges (or quail), pheasants or ruffed grouse, wild turkeys, woodcock, and hares, in the counties of Caroline and Hanover, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 329, Senate bill to authorized a special issue of bonds by the city of Staunton for the purpose of obtaining a water supply by gravity, and empowering the said city to acquire and control the requisite water rights and land in connection therewith, and to police the same, with house amendments.

On motion of Mr. OPIE was placed on the calendar.

No. 292, Senate bill to allow leases of fifty or more contiguous acres of planting ground, to dredge or scrape the same under certain conditions, and to impose a penalty for dredging or scraping planting grounds, except as provided for in this act, with house amendments.

On motion of Mr. LE CATO was placed on the calendar.

No. 514, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1 of chapter 58 of the act of 1889-'90, approved February 11, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the appointment of assistant commissioners of accounts and to define their duties and powers, with house amendments.

On motion of Mr. McILWAINE was placed on the calendar.

No. 411, House bill for fixing the rates of toll upon the Warm Springs and Harrisonburg Turnpike, and repealing all existing law in conflict with this act so far as it effects said turnpike, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. KEEZELL the committee on roads and internal navigation was discharged from further consideration of the bill.

No. 731, House bill to allow sheriffs, sergeants, or constables a fee for making return on executions delivered to them by the clerks of courts in cases where no levy or forthcoming bond is taken, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. SHANDS the committee on general laws was discharged from further consideration of the bill.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 684, A bill authorizing the Board of Supervisors of Wise county to increase the pay of the Commonwealth's attorney of said county to a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars to be paid out of the county levy; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. GOLD, by leave, presented

No. 685, A bill to authorize and empower the School Board of Battletown district Clarke county, to borrow money to erect a school house; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. ST. CLAIR, by leave, presented

No. 686, A bill to amend and re-enact section 5 of chapter 1 of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the town of Graham in the county of Tazewell, approved February 29, 1892; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 678, A bill for the relief of Johnson and Early, assignee of Mary Crockett; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 688, A bill for the relief of Johnson and Early, assignee of George Dalton; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 689, A bill for the relief of Johnson and Early, assignee of Gordon L. Ogle; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was place on the calendar.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 690, A bill for the relief of S. G. Robinson and Company assignee of Thomas Bryant; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 691, A bill for the relief of Johnson and Early, assignee of Mary McGee; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 692, A bill for the relief of S. G. Robinson and Company, assignee of M. C. Storeman; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 693, A bill for the relief of Johnson and Early, assignee of E. M. Edwards; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 694, A bill for the relief of Johnson and Early, assignee of Richard Beasley; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. FOSTER, by leave, presented

No. 695, A bill to incorporate the Norfolk and Lynnhaven Railroad and Terminal Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. FOSTER, by leave, presented

No. 696, A bill to amend and re-enact sections 2008, 2014 and 2021 of the Code in reference to the board of harbor commissioners of the city of Norfolk, and to create said board or corporation; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. MAYNARD, by leave, presented

No. 697, A bill to incorporate the Norfolk and Portsmouth Bar Association; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. WALKER, by leave, presented

No. 698, A bill to amend and re-enact section 651 of the Code

of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

Mr. WALKER, by leave, presented

No. 699, A bill to authorize clerks to enter record on delinquent land books when lands are redeemed from purchaser; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 679 House bill to incorporate the Independence and Grayson Railroad Company, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. HARVEY offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

Mr. HARVEY moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, which was agreed to.

Mr. HARVEY moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was engrossed, which was agreed to.

Mr. HARVEY offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 680, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Atlantic and Western Railroad Company, approved March 4, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. HARVEY, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 705, House bill to prescribe the qualifications of arbitrators and umpires selected to ascertain losses under policies of insurance on property in the State of Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. McILWAIN moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 582, House bill for working and keeping in order the public roads of Mecklenburg county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. EGGLESTON, the title was amended.

On motion of Mr. EGGLESTON, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 256, Senate bill to validate certain contracts made and entered into by and between the Farmville Building and Trust Company, of Farmville, Virginia, and its members, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WATKINS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 568, Senate bill to incorporate the Northern Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendment agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion

of Mr. DONOHUE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 23, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 666 of the Code of Virginia, as heretofore amended, in relation to sale of delinquent lands purchased in the name of the auditor, was taken up.

Mr. JEFFRIES moved to adopt the report of the committee of conference, which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes 28; noes, 1.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—28.

NOES—Mr. Cogbill.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 676, To incorporate the Rappahannock Valley Railway Company.

No. 701, To ratify, confirm, and amend the charter of the Norfolk, Heat, Light and Power Company.

No. 489, House bill to amend section 3652 of the Code of Virginia, so as to provide that a householder may waive the exemption made in his favor by said section.

Mr. SANDS moved to discharge the committee for courts of justice from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

No. 286, Senate bill to appropriate annually the sum of \$500 to the Hollywood Memorial Association, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. MCILWAINE offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. FLOOD offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

The bill was then rejected by the following vote—ayes, 11; noes, 16.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Gold, Jeffries, Le Cato, McIlwaine, Munford, Shands, Tyler and Wickham—11.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Glass, James, Keezell, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Morris, Opie, St. Clair, Steele, Walker, Wallace and Watkins—16.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment

No. 551, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act

entitled "an act to incorporate the Walkerton and Mattaponi Bridge Company," approved February 24, 1898.

No. 600, Senate bill to increase the number of contributing members to a military company in cities of more than twenty thousand inhabitants having but one such company.

Mr. LE CATO offered the following resolution:

Resolved by the Senate, That no new bills be introduced in this body after Thursday, March 1st, except by unanimous consent.

Which was agreed to.

No. 663, Senate bill to allow John M. McCarty to erect a pier on the Rappahannock river, and to build a house thereon, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. BLAKEY (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 430, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 41, chapter 5 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Radford, Va., approved January 22, 1892, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. LYLE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. LYLE was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 548, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 661 of the Code of Virginia, so as to provide additional grounds on which the title of certain purchases may be defeated, and to limit the time within which suit may be brought for the purpose, was taken up, read the second time, committee substitute adopted, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 645, House bill to incorporate the Farmers' Fair Association.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to discharge the committee on general laws from the further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up and read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 543, Senate bill to incorporate the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. GLASS offered the following amendment:

Sec. 12. It is further provided that said company, or any companies acquiring its corporate rights, shall not charge a rate higher than \$35.00 per annum for each 'phone for local service in cities of the State, and not higher than \$15.00 per annum for each 'phone in the counties; nor shall it charge less than \$10.00 per annum for each 'phone either in cities or counties; nor more than the rate of fifty cents each for long distance conversations of five minutes,

which are hereby fixed as the maximum and minimum rates upon which this charter is granted. If said rates are not observed, the charter shall be forfeited and become null and void.

Mr. JEFFRIES offered the following substitute to Mr. GLASS's amendment:

At end of section 12 add: "But the General Assembly hereby expressly reserves the right from time to time to regulate, control and fix the charges of said company for all its telephone service within this State."

Which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 11; noes, 16.
Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Flood, Johnson, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Sands, Steele and Wallace—11.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Keezell, Le Cato, Morris, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—16.

Mr. MUNFORD stated that he was paired with Mr. WHITEHEAD; were he present, he would vote aye, and I would vote no.

Mr. JEFFRIES stated that he was paired with Mr. FAIRFAX; were he present, he would vote no, and I would vote aye.

Mr. McILWAINE stated that he was paired with Mr. MAYNARD; were he present, he would vote aye, and I would vote no.

Mr. HARVEY stated that he was paired with Mr. CLAYTOR; were he present, he would vote no, and I would vote aye.

Mr. TYLER stated that he was paired with Mr. TATE; were he present, he would vote no, and I would vote aye.

Mr. GOLD stated that he was paired with Mr. JAMES; were he present, he would vote no, and I would vote aye.

The question then recurring on Mr. GLASS' amendment, it was adopted as follows, ayes, 16; noes, 11.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Keezell, Le Cato, Morris, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—16.

NOES—Messrs. Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Flood, Johnson, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Sands, Steele and Wallace—11.

Mr. MUNFORD stated he was paired with Mr. WHITEHEAD, if he were present he would vote no, and I would vote aye.

Mr. JEFFRIES stated he was paired with Mr. FAIRFAX, if present he would vote aye, and I would vote no.

Mr. McILWAINE stated he was paired with Mr. MAYNARD, if present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. HARVEY stated that he was paired with Mr. CLAYTOR, if present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. GOLD stated he was paired with Mr. JAMES, if present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. TYLER stated that he was paired with Mr. TATE, if present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

The committee amendments were then agreed to.

Mr. LYLE offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. GLASS moved to reconsider the vote, by which his first amendment was adopted, which was as follows :

Section 2, line 12, page 2, strike out all after the word namely, down to line 19, and add "such terms, regulations and ordinances of the council of any city or town in respect to its entrance into said city or town, and the use and occupation of said streets and alleys, and in respect to the location and proper maintenance of such lines of telephone or telegraph within the limits of said city or town as are now in force or may hereafter be adopted by such city or town."

On page 4, section 2, after word final, line 59, insert :

"But nothing contained in this act shall be construed as giving this company or any company operating under this charter the right to commence the construction of any part of its work in any city or town, pending litigation in court to determine disputed questions as to reasonable regulations under which such entry is to be made."

The Senate refused to reconsider the vote by the following vote—ayes, 11; noes, 15.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Le Cato, Morris, Opie, Shands and Wickham—11.

NOES—Messrs. Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Flood, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Walker, Wallace and Watkins—15.

Mr. MUNFORD stated that he was paired with Mr. WHITEHEAD, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. JEFFRIES stated that he was paired with Mr. FAIRFAX, were he present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. McILWAINE stated that he was paired with Mr. MAYNARD, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. HARVEY stated that he was paired with Mr. CLAYTOR, were he present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. TYLER stated that he was paired with Mr. TATE, were he present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. GOLD stated that he was paired with Mr. JAMES, were he present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

The bill was then read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, by the following vote—ayes, 20; noes, 10.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Flood, Harvey, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Munford, Sands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—20.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Cogbill, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Johnson, Keezell, Morris, Opie and Shands—10.

Mr. **MUNFORD** stated that he was paired with Mr. **WHITEHEAD**, were he present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. **JEFFRIES** stated that he was paired with Mr. **FAIRFAX**, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. **McILWAINE** stated that he was paired with Mr. **MAYNARD**, were he present he would aye and I would vote no.

Mr. **HARVEY** stated that he was paired with Mr. **CLAYTOR**, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. **TYLER** stated that he was paired with Mr. **TATE**, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. **GOLD** stated that he was paired with Mr. **JAMES**, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. **HUNDLEY**, who informed the Senate that the House of Delegates had passed House bill No. 615

On motion of Mr. **WICKMAN** the bill was referred to the committee on general laws.

On motion of Mr. **MUNFORD** the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock M. to-morrow.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor **EDWARD ECHOLS** in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, February 28, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to provide for submitting to the qualified voters of the State the question of calling a constitutional convention to be held for the purpose of revising and amending the present constitution, No. 1; an act to re-enact an act entitled an act to prohibit the catching of fish with seines, weirs, and nets in Lake Drummond, approved February 26, 1896, No. 610; an act to provide for opening, building, and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in Patrick county, No. 665; an act to authorize the county of Powhatan to

change the form of the bonds subscribed to the Farmville and Powhatan Railroad Company, and to allow the board of supervisors of said county to refund the conditional bonds, No. 667; an act to incorporate the Brunswick and Lunenburg Railroad Company, No. 444; an act to prevent trespassing upon railroad trains, No. 553; an act to prevent persons trespassing on a train or car from jumping on or off, No. 554; an act to amend and re-enact section 9 of an act entitled an act to incorporate Big Sandy and Cumberland Railroad Company, in force January 25, 1900, No. 502; an act to validate acknowledgments to deeds, leases, and contracts taken by certain commissioners in chancery of the county courts of this State, or by the judge thereof, No. 473; an act to amend and re-enact sections 8, 9, 10, 11, and 13, and to repeal section 15 of an act entitled an act to provide for the protection of domestic animals, and to authorize and empower the board of control of the experiment station of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg, to establish live stock quarantine lines, rules, and regulations, and to provide penalties for violating the same, approved February 18, 1896, authorizing board of supervisors to quarantine against other counties under certain conditions, and fixing the penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, No. 493; an act to repeal sections 2194, 2195, 2196, 2198, 2199, 2200, 2201, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210, 2211, 2212, 2213 of the Code of Virginia, and to amend and re-enact section 2214 of the Code of Virginia with reference to inspection of cattle brought into the State from south of State or federal quarantine line, No. 494; an act to amend and re-enact section 41, chapter 5, of an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Radford, Virginia, approved January 22, 1892, No. 430; an act to amend and re-enact section 661 of the Code of Virginia, so as to provide additional grounds on which the title of certain purchases may be defeated, and to limit the time within which suit may be brought for the purpose, No. 548; an act to incorporate the Northern Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company, No. 568; an act to incorporate the Norfolk and Portsmouth Bar Association, No. 697; an act to authorize and empower the school board of Battletown district, Clarke county, to borrow money to erect a school house, No. 685; and an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of chapter one of an act entitled an act to provide a new charter for the town of Graham, in the county of Tazewell, approved February 29, 1892, No. 686.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bills entitled an act to allow John S. Swift further time within which to distrain and levy and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State, No. 395; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 2, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 32, chapter 1, of an act entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and in-

comes, and on license to transact business, and in paying taxes thereon, for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, or malt liquors, or any mixture, thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, approved March 6, 1890, relating to sale by peddlers, No. 366; an act for working and keeping in order the public roads of Mecklenburg county, No. 582; an act to incorporate the Independence and Grayson Railroad Company, No. 679; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to incorporate the Atlantic and Western Railroad Company, No. 680; and an act to incorporate the Waverly Telephone and Telegraph Company, No. 598.

They have passed with amendment Senate bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 16, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 2, 1888, entitled an act to grant the right and privilege, for a period of twenty years, of occupancy of certain flats and water-fronts on James river upon certain conditions, and to more definitely define said flats and water-fronts, No. 616.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to incorporate Old Point Comfort College, No. 770; an act to prescribe a fence law for Cedarville district in the county of Warren, No. 771; an act to allow C. M. Marshall, ex-deputy treasurer of Carroll county, further time within which to distrain and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State, No. 772; an act to amend and re-enact section 1002, Code of Virginia of 1887, in relation to roads abandoned by turnpike companies; how kept in order, &c., No. 778; an act to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Petersburg and Claremont Terminal Railroad and Improvement Company and to define its powers, approved February, 1900, authorizing an extension of its line of railroad, No. 779; an act to amend and re enact section 13 of an act approved January 22, 1894, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 1 and 13 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Fredericksburg and Lancaster Railroad Company, approved February 12, 1896, No. 780; an act to authorize the judge of the county court of Stafford to grant and convey land for a site to build a monument to the memory of the Confederate dead of said county, No. 781; an act to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 573 of Acts of 1891-'92, entitled an act for opening and keeping in repair the public roads of Pulaski county, as amended by an act passed March 2, 1892, and as amended by an act passed January 25, 1898, as to right of appeal, No. 782; an act to submit the question of a stock law to the voters of Occoquan district, in the county of Prince William, No. 783; an act to in-

corporate the Richmond and Manchester Jobbing Confectioners' Association, No. 784; an act to incorporate the Virginia Automobile Company, No. 788; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved January 23, 1900, entitled an act authorizing the council of the town of Woodstock to issue bonds and borrow money for the purpose of establishing a system of water works for said town and other purposes, No. 791; an act to provide for the revision and codification of the insurance laws of Virginia, and appropriating a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars to be expended for that purpose, No. 792; an act to declare Tye river a lawful fence between Amherst and Nelson, No. 794; an act to authorize the governor to appoint a board of commissioners for the promotion of the uniformity of legislation in the United States, No. 674; an act to permit the registration of W. W. Childs as a pharmacist, No. 704; an act to prohibit the sale or firing of cannon crackers in this State, No. 776; an act to give aid to soldiers, sailors, and marines, disabled in the war between the States, and to every such soldier, sailor, or marine, who by disease or other infirmities of age is disabled from earning or is without the means of procuring a support, and to the widows of Virginia soldiers, sailors, or marines, who lost their lives in said war in the military or naval service, or whose husbands have died since the war, No. 697; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to regulate killing, capturing, hunting, buying, selling, or offering for sale of partridges (or quail), wild turkeys, hares, robin redbreast, and all native pheasants in the county of Albemarle, and to prohibit the catching of same in traps, or the destruction of the eggs of the same in said county, approved January 25, 1898, and to apply the provisions of the same to the city of Charlottesville, No. 1061; and an act to declare the lines of land-owners in a portion of Nelson county a lawful fence, No. 1062.

In which amendments and bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 616, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 16, 1892, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act approved March 2, 1888, entitled an act to grant the right and privilege, for a period of twenty years, of occupancy of certain flats and water-fronts on James river upon certain conditions, and to more definitely define said flats and water-fronts, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. McILWAINE moved that the Senate concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 770, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act approved March 3, 1898, entitled an act to incorporate Old Point Comfort College, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the

calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 771, House bill to prescribe a fence law for Cedarville district, in the county of Warren, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. GOLD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 772, House bill to allow C. M. Marshall, ex-deputy treasurer of Carroll county, further time within which to distrain and collect certain tax tickets for which he has accounted to the State, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. HARVEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 778, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1002, Code of Virginia of 1887, in relation to roads abandoned by turnpike companies; how kept in order, &c., was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. OPIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 779, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Petersburg and Claremont Terminal Railroad and Improvement Company and to define its powers, approved February, 1900, authorizing an extension of its line of railroad, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 780, House bill to amend and re-enact section 13 of an act approved January 22, 1894, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 1 and 13 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Fredericksburg and Lancaster Railroad Company, approved February 12, 1896, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALLACE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 781, House bill to authorize the judge of the county court of Stafford to grant and convey land for a site to build a monument to the memory of the Confederate dead of said county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WALLACE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 782, House bill to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 573 of Acts of 1891-92, entitled an act for opening and keeping in repair the public roads of Pulaski county, as amended by an act passed March 2, 1892,

and as amended by an act passed January 25, 1898, as to right of appeal, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. ST. CLAIR (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 783, House bill to submit the question of a stock law to the voters of Occoquon district, in the county of Prince William, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 784, House bill to incorporate the Richmond and Manchester Jobbing Confectioners' Association, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 788, House bill to incorporate the Virginia Automobile Company, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 791, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved January 23, 1900, entitled an act authorizing the council of the town of Woodstock to issue bonds and borrow money for the purpose of establishing a system of water-works for said town and other purposes, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LUPTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 792, House bill to provide for the revision and codification of the insurance laws of Virginia, and appropriating a sum not exceeding two hundred dollars to be expended for that purpose, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 794, House bill to declare Tye river a lawful fence between Amherst and Nelson, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MASSIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 674, House bill to authorize the Governor to appoint a board of commissioners for the promotion of the uniformity of legislation in the United States, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee for courts of justice.

No. 704, House bill to permit the registration of W. W. Childs as a pharmacist, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 776, House bill to prohibit the sale or firing of cannon crackers in this State, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 697, House bill to give aid to soldiers, sailors, and marines,

disabled in the war between the States, and to every such soldier, sailor, or marine who by disease or other infirmities of age, is disabled from earning or is without the means of procuring a support, and to the widows of Virginia soldiers, sailors or marines who lost their lives in said war in the military or naval service, was taken up, twice read and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 1061, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to regulate killing, capturing, buying, selling or offering for sale of partridges (or quail), wild turkeys, hares, robin rebreast, and all native pheasants in the county of Albemarle, and to prohibit the catching of same in traps or the destruction of the eggs of the same in said county, approved January 25, 1898, and to apply the provisions of the same to the city of Charlottesville, approved January 26, 1900, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1062, House bill to declare the lines of land owners in a portion of Nelson county a lawful fence, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MASSIE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported without amendment

No. 669, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the garnishment of and levy of execution on wages and salaries of all State officials, clerks and employees, approved February 24, 1900.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 698, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 651 of the Code of Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 699, Senate bill to authorize clerks to enter record on delinquent land books when lands are redeemed from purchaser.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 627, House bill to prescribe the times for holding the circuit courts in the thirteenth judicial circuit.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 729, House bill entitled an act to repeal an act approved March 3, 1892, entitled an act to require prisoners charged with a capital offence and on trial in a county court to select in which court he shall be tried before making a motion for a continuance.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 731, House bill to allow sheriffs, sergeants, or constables a fee for making return on executions delivered to them by the clerks of courts in cases where no levy is made or forthcoming bond is taken.

And he, from the same committee, reported with an amendment No. 756, House bill to authorize courts to exclude from all trials of felony or misdemeanor cases all persons whose presence is not deemed necessary.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment

No. 367, House bill to provide for weighing leaf tobacco in warehouses, requiring proprietors thereof to furnish itemized statements and fixing a penalty.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 371, House bill to incorporate the Newport News Trust and Safe Deposit Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 500, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1292 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the delivery and forwarding of dispatches by telegraph and telephone companies.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 552, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide a roster of all the ex-Confederate soldiers living in the State of Virginia, approved January 25, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 615, House bill to create a department of Insurance to provide for the election of an insurance commissioner and to prescribe his duties and powers, to provide revenue for the support of the government, to regulate fire and other insurance companies, and to prescribe penalties for violations of this act.

On motion of Mr. SANDS, the bill was made the special and continuing order for to-morrow at 12.45 o'clock.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 664, House bill to incorporate the Fire Insurance Salvage Corps of Richmond.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 735, House bill to ratify, confirm, and amend the charter of the Norfolk Electric Company.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 737, House bill to incorporate the Bohemian-Slavonic Farmers' Mutual Benefit Insurance Society of Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 757, House bill to amend the charter of the Guarantee Building Loan and Trust Company of Richmond, Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 752, House bill to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act approved December 19, 1893, entitled an act to change the name of the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, and to amend and re-enact sections 1 and 9 of an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, and also to amend and re-enact sections 2, 3, 5, and 15 of an act approved January 19, 1892, entitled an act to amend

sections 2, 3, 5, 11, and 15 of an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, approved March 4, 1890, and also to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, and also to amend and re-enact section 11 of an act approved January 19, 1892, entitled an act to amend sections 2, 3, 5, 11, and 15 of an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, approved March 4, 1890.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 316, House bill to create a board to ascertain the true value of real estate which has been purchased by the commonwealth at tax sale where such value is less than the sum prescribed by sections 664 and 666 of the Code, to be paid in redemption or purchase thereof and to authorize the redemption or purchase thereof upon payment of a sum equal to the value so ascertained.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 213, House bill to amend and re-enact section 815 of the Code of Virginia in reference to bonds of city treasurers.

He, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 197, House bill to amend and re-enact section 499 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the listing of dogs for taxation.

He, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 139, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3711 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 359 of Acts of Assembly 1893-'94, as further amended and re-enacted by chapter 118, Acts of Assembly 1897-'98, making dogs in the cities of Richmond, Manchester, Petersburg, and Alexandria, and in the counties of Henrico and Dinwiddie, and all dogs listed for taxation personal property, and subjects of petit larceny and trespass.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 651, Senate bill for the relief of James A. Armistead.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 637, Senate bill for the relief of Mrs. Lucy E. Yancey.

He, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that it do not pass

No. 491, Senate bill to establish a dispensary in the city of Staunton.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 405, Senate bill to incorporate the Virginia State Horticultural Society and to define its powers and duties.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 347, Senate bill for the relief of E. F. Hodges and S. C. Williams from delinquent taxes for the years 1890 and 1891 on certain lands in Halifax county.

And he, from the same committee, reported with the recommendation that the Senate concur in the House amendments to

No. 190, Senate bill to direct and authorize county and corporation courts to strike from the list of lands returned delinquent for non-payment of taxes, levies, &c., such as are erroneously thereon.

Mr. WICKHAM, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment the following bills:

No. 306, Senate bill for the relief of Harriet G. Hodnett, widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 50, Senate bill for the relief of Wm. H. Prease, an ex-Confederate soldier.

No. 609, Senate bill for the relief of Jno. J. Hedderly, a wounded Confederate soldier, of Halifax county.

No. 394, Senate bill for the relief of S. A. Deakins, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 579, Senate bill for the relief of Robert A. Doyle, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 558, Senate bill for the relief of Cumberland G. Bradshaw, a disabled Confederate soldier, of Culpeper county.

No. 495, Senate bill for the relief of William R. Watson, J. D. Hankins and C. H. Childress, disabled Confederate soldiers.

No. 284, Senate bill for the relief of E. F. Lawrence, the widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 283, Senate bill for the relief of Sarah D. Griggs, the widow of a Confederate soldier, of the county of Patrick.

No. 268, Senate bill for the relief of James H. Lawhorn, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 148, Senate bill for the relief of William H. Wood, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 113, Senate bill for the relief of Sarah A. Pary, widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 177, Senate bill for the relief of Thomas H. Durham, a needy Confederate soldier of Essex county.

No. 714, Senate bill for the relief of Mary F. Byrd, of Rockingham county, widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 658, Senate bill for the relief of R. L. Taylor, a Confederate soldier.

No. 323, Senate bill for the relief of Louisa J. Barron, widow of a Confederate soldier of Wise county.

No. 107, Senate bill for the relief of Joseph E. Mozinga, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 144, Senate bill for the relief of Richard T. Vaughan, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 266, Senate bill for the relief of W. A. Turpin, a Confederate soldier.

No. 209, Senate bill for the relief of Mrs. Virginia F. Gayle, the widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 237, Senate bill for the relief of L. D. Million, Sr., a Confederate soldier.

No. 48, Senate bill for the relief of Sarah A. Tabor, widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 642, Senate bill for the relief of G. W. Pierce, a Confederate soldier of Halifax county.

No. 44, Senate bill for the relief of Stephen Thomason, of Henry county, a Confederate soldier.

No. 419, Senate bill for the relief of Mildred A. Lewis, of Appomattox.

No. 234, Senate bill for the relief of R. I. Overton, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 678, Senate bill for the relief of Gillie Bush, a Confederate veteran.

No. 423, Senate bill for the relief of A. H. Faulkner, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 73, Senate bill for the relief of Josiah Dodson, a Confederate soldier.

No. 352, Senate bill for the relief of John D. Tipton, a Confederate soldier.

No. 366, Senate bill for the relief of Samuel M. Hawkins, a Confederate soldier.

No. 74, Senate bill for the relief of Middleton W. Coger, a Confederate soldier.

No. 63, Senate bill for the relief of Marcus W. Beal, a Confederate soldier.

No. 308, Senate bill for the relief of W. C. Laymon, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 304, Senate bill for the relief of A. J. Ramsey, a Confederate soldier of Pittsylvania county.

No. 51, Senate bill for the relief of David M. Refe, an ex-Confederate soldier.

No. 76, Senate bill for the relief of H. H. Bays, an ex-Confederate soldier.

No. 104, Senate bill for the relief Mrs. W. W. Smith, of Danville, Va., the widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 119, Senate bill for the relief of Dabney Abbott, an ex-Confederate soldier.

No. 261, Senate bill for the relief of George A. Bowling, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 618, Senate bill for the relief of Wm. A. Wingfield, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 251, Senate bill for the relief of Peter J. Hight, a Confederate soldier of Nelson county.

No. 238, Senate bill for the relief John Zigler, a Confederate soldier of Patrick county.

No. 239, Senate bill for the relief of William Bowling, a disabled Confederate soldier of Patrick county.

No. 235, Senate bill for the relief of Samuel I. Nunnally, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 43, Senate bill for the relief of George W. Collins, of Henry county, a Confederate soldier.

No. 156, Senate bill for the relief of Bettie O. Bloxton, widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 653, Senate bill for the relief of W. S. Guy, a disabled Confederate soldier.

Reported with amendment:

No. 47, Senate bill for the relief of Isaac P. Louthan, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 70, Senate bill for the relief of W. B. Megginson, a Confederate veteran.

No. 75, Senate bill for the relief of Wm. P. Jesse, an ex-Confederate soldier.

No. 141, Senate bill for the relief of J. W. Suthin, a disabled Confederate soldier of Rockingham county.

No. 166, Senate bill for the relief of H. P. Huddleston, a Confederate soldier of Bedford county.

No. 165, Senate bill for the relief of Wm. A. Hopkins, a disabled Confederate soldier of Bedford county.

No. 167, Senate bill for the relief of David W. Quarles, a Confederate soldier of Bedford county.

No. 168, Senate bill for the relief of Henry C. Cheek, an ex-Confederate soldier of Bedford county.

No. 169, Senate bill for the relief of James L. Arthur, a disabled Confederate soldier of Bedford county.

No. 185, Senate bill for the relief of John W. Weaver, a disabled Confederate soldier of Augusta county.

No. 310, Senate bill for the relief of Grief C. Chumney, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 328, Senate bill for the relief of George a King, a Confederate soldier of Floyd county.

No. 336, Senate bill for the relief of R. R. Lynn, a Confederate soldier of Rockbridge.

No. 365, Senate bill for the relief of Robert H. Gaines, a Confederate soldier.

No. 373, Senate bill for the relief of George T. Campbell, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 382, Senate bill for the relief of Mrs. Susie E. Cheatham, of Appomattox county.

No. 383, Senate bill for the relief of Robert Penick, of Appomattox county.

No. 387, Senate bill for the relief of Daniel Yeates, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 395, Senate bill for the relief of M. Robertson, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 398, Senate bill for the relief of James W. Newman, an ex-Confederate soldier.

No. 401, Senate bill for the relief of Joseph Galloway, of Lee county, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 404, Senate bill for the relief of W. T. Childress, of Appomattox county.

No. 422, Senate bill for the relief of Henry E. Barksdale, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 424, Senate bill for the relief of R. T. Tucker, of Appomattox county.

No. 436, Senate bill for the relief of Martha Bretzendine, a widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 437, Senate bill for the relief of Malinda Wright, widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 457, Senate bill for the relief of Charles T. Ross, a Confederate soldier.

No. 479, Senate bill for the relief of J. W. Eley, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 496, Senate bill for the relief of Mrs. St. John and Booker T. Davis, widows of Confederate soldiers.

No. 500, Senate bill for the relief of Joseph Crouch, a Confederate soldier.

No. 594, Senate bill for the relief of A. R. Payne, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 614, Senate bill for the relief of Geo. W. Earnest, a wounded Confederate soldier.

No. 619, Senate bill for the relief of William H. Hite, a disabled Confederate soldier of Nelson county.

No. 645, Senate bill for the relief of J. N. Luck, a Confederate soldier.

No. 649, Senate bill for the relief of Wesley Heflin, an ex-Confederate soldier.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 563, Senate bill for the relief of W. L. Savage, of Henrico county, a Confederate soldier.

Mr. WICKHAM presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That the clerk of the Senate be, and he is hereby, authorized to retain in employment, at a salary not exceeding \$60 per month, William Wilson, as librarian of the Senate, to be paid out of the treasury on the certificate of the clerk.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McILWAIN presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That the clerk of the Senate be, and he is, hereby authorized to issue his certificate to the sergeant-at-arms, door-keeper, librarian, assistant clerks, and committee clerks, for the sum of \$50 each, and to the pages for the sum of \$25 each, as further compensation for the present session.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. WICKHAM presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That the clerk of the Senate be authorized to employ an assistant for a period of not exceeding sixty days after the expiration of the present session to assist him in preparing the index to the Journal, &c., with the compensation of the first assistant clerk.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. FOSTER presented the following resolution :

Resolved, That the clerk of the Senate be directed to issue to William Wilson his certificate for four dollar per week during the session for the purpose of paying the janitor.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 701, A bill to amend and re-enact section 90 of an act approved February 28, 1896, entitled an act to provide a new charter for the city of Roanoke, in relation to justices of the peace in said city ; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time ; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar ; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time ; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 702, A bill to prevent hogs and swine from running at large upon the the public streets and roads of the county of Montgomery and to provide a penalty for the same ; which, on his motion was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar ; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time ; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 703, A bill for the relief of S. H. Coleman, Sr., a disabled Confederate soldier ; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 704, A bill for the relief of Mary A. Ferguson, the widow of a Confederate soldier ; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave, presented

No. 705, A bill to provide for the working and repairing of public roads in Greenville county ; which on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further

motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 706, A bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to define and prescribe the effect as evidence of deeds conveying property heretofore or hereafter sold under deed of trust, or mortgages, or under any judicial proceedings, approved February 10, 1898; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on general laws.

Mr. WALKER, by leave, presented

No. 707, A bill to provide for registration of births and deaths; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 708, A bill to amend and re-enact the ninth section of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Mineral Development Company," approved May 23, 1887, as amended by an act approved March 4, 1890; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. LE CATO, by leave, presented

No. 709, A bill to amend and re-enact independent section 11 of an act entitled "an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2137, 2148, 2151, 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145, 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 25, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 831 of the Acts of 1895 and 1896, approved March 5, 1896," as further amended and re-enacted by chapter 241 of the Acts of 1899-1900; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

No. 710, A bill for the relief of Mrs. Stern, the widow of a Confederate veteran; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented.

No. 711, A bill for the relief of Joel T. Collins, Samuel Legrand, and Lafayette Garrett; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WALLACE, by leave, presented

No. 712, A bill for the relief of Susan Heflin, widow of a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. WALLACE, by leave, presented

No. 713, A bill for the relief of Mary English, widow of a Confederate veteran; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. KEEZELL, by leave, presented

No. 714, A bill for the relief of Mary F. Bird, of Rockingham county, widow of a Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LUPTON, by leave, presented

No. 715, A bill to repeal an act to provide for the government of schools in the county of Frederick; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. EGGLESTON, by leave, presented

No. 716, A bill to empower the town of Clarksville to subscribe to the capital stock of the Clarksville Toll Bridge Company, to issue bonds to pay such subscription, and to hold an election to determine whether or not such subscription shall be made and to levy taxes to pay the interest and principal of said bonds; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. STEELE, by leave, presented

No. 717, A bill to incorporate the Protective Insurance Company of Virginia; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 718, A bill to amend and re-enact an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, entitled "an act to regulate the granting of licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof in the town of Blackstone, Nottoway county, Va., or in two miles thereof;" which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 719, A bill for the relief of J. T. Bragg, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 720, A bill for the relief of Jack Wray, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. MANN, by leave, presented

No. 721, A bill for the relief of John G. Callis, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 580, Senate bill to re-enact sections 2234, 2235, 2236, 2237, 2238, 2243, 2244, 2245, 2246, 2247, 2248, 2249 of the Code of Virginia, repealed by an act approved March 4, 1898, in relation to the registration and records of births and deaths in the State of Virginia, was taken up.

Mr. MUNFORD moved to discharge the committee on finance and banks from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

No. 551, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the Walkerton and Mattaponi Bridge Company," approved February 24, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. BLAKEY (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 713, House bill to provide for the establishment of a dispensary for the sale of intoxicating liquors in Franklin Magisterial District in Southampton county, Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, 4.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Munford, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker and Wallace—25.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Keezell, Lupton and Morris—4.

Mr. SHANDS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 543, Senate bill to incorporate the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. FLOOD moved to reconsider the vote.

Mr. SANDS moved to pass the motion by.

No. 175, Senate bill to provide for the establishment of the Virginia State Colony for Epileptics and to appropriate money therefor, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 26; noes, 4.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Tyler, Wallace and Wickham—26.

NOES—Messrs. Eggleston, Keezell, Steele and Walker—4.

And Mr. LE CATO was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 279, House bill to define and prescribe the liability of railroad corporations to their servants or employees for injuries received by said servants or employees in the service or business of said corporations, being the special order of the day, was taken up.

No. 309, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act for working, keeping in repair, and building the roads and bridges in Buckingham county, approved March 4, 1896, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend the road law of Buckingham county, approved December 22, 1897, was taken up.

Mr. FLOOD moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

Mr. MANN rose to a question of personal privilege and stated, that when the vote was taken on yesterday on the conference report on the bill known as the "Land Grabber's bill," that he voted under a misapprehension as to the bill under consideration; that he was opposed to the bill, and would not have voted for it except for such misapprehension.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 722, A bill to amend sections 5, 6, and 7 of the charter of the Piedmont Lumber and Warehouse Company, approved February 10; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being

forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. DONOHUE, by leave, presented

No. 723, A bill to ratify the action of the city council of Alexandria, under authority of which the Washington Southern Railway Company maintains and operates its tracks as now constructed in Henry, Fayette, and St. Asaph streets, in the city of Alexandria; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. SANDS presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That at 3 o'clock to-day the chair be vacated and resumed again at 4½ o'clock; and at the afternoon session nothing shall be considered save the bills specified in the calendar to which no objection is made.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. WICKHAM presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the operation of rule 33, which requires all House bills and resolutions to remain in possession of the Senate for the space of two days be suspended for the remainder of the session, and the fact of their passage be communicated upon the same day.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. FLOOD from the committee on privileges and elections, reported without amendment

No. 328, House bill to amend and re-enact section 72 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 72 of the Code of Virginia with reference to how vacancies in electoral boards to be filled in certain cases by the court, approved March 3, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 441, House bill to amend and re-enact sections sixty-seven and seventy-one of the Code of 1887 in relation to the appointment of registrars and the registration of voters.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 442, House bill to amend and re-enact section 64 of the Code of 1887, in relation to the election by the General Assembly of electoral boards.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 443, House bill to amend and re-enact sections thirteen and seventeen of an act approved March 4, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for a method of voting by ballot, approved March 6, 1894.

Mr. WICKHAM, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported without amendment

No. 706. House bill to amend and re-enact section two of an act

entitled an act to incorporate the Point Comfort Beach Railway Company in effect January 31, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 677, House bill to incorporate the Westhampton Railway Company.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 636, House bill to authorize the Virginia-Carolina Railway Company to sell or lease its railroad property and franchises to, and to consolidate or merge its stock, railroad property, and franchises with any other railroad company operating or authorized to operate a connecting line of railroad, and to lease from any such railroad company its property, rights, and franchises.

Mr. OPIE, from the committee on county, city and towns, reported without amendment

No. 219, House bill to amend and re-enact an act of session 1897'-8, making Tye river, in Nelson county, a lawful fence from its mouth to Gulf ford.

No. 469, House bill to allow the board of supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight in its discretion, to pay to J. R. Jordan the value of a pair of mules drowned by the alleged default of the said county, in permitting one of its bridges to be out of repair and dangerous.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, the chair was vacated until 4:30 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

THURSDAY, March 1, 1900.

No. 514, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1 of chapter 58 of the Acts of 1889-'90, approved February 11, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the appointment of assistant commissioners of accounts, and to define their duties and powers, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. MASSIE moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 329, Senate bill to authorize a special issue of bonds by the city of Staunton for the purpose of obtaining a water supply by gravity, and empowering the said city to acquire and control the requisite water rights and land in connection therewith, and to police the same, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. LYLE moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 292, Senate bill to allow lessees of fifty or more contiguous acres of planting ground to dredge or scrape the same under certain conditions, and to impose a penalty for dredging or scraping

planting-grounds except as provided in this act, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. LE CATO moved to concur in the House amendments, which was agreed to.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 655, To amend and re-enact section 6 of an act entitled an act to provide for the opening and working of roads and keeping the same in repair and to provide for erecting and maintaining bridges in the county of Culpeper, approved January 25, 1898.

No. 332, To amend and re-enact section 3804 of the Code, in relation to sale of intoxicating liquors, &c., how punished.

No. 417, To amend and re-enact section 9 and section 11 of an act of the General Assembly, entitled an act to provide a charter for the city of Winchester, approved April 2, 1874, as amended in the eleventh section thereof by an act approved February 26, 1896.

No. 726, To authorize Dr. H. W. M. Washington and his wife to erect and maintain a wharf on, or in front of her land on North river, in Mathews county.

No. 693, To amend the game law of Pittsylvania county.

No. 678, To incorporate and enlarge the powers of the Richmond Passenger and Power Company.

No. 486, To reduce the travel rate of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company from four cents per mile to three cents per mile in the State of Virginia.

No. 564, To incorporate the Wise Terminal Company.

No. 712, To allow Thomas W. Taylor to construct a movable boom across Pamunkey river.

No. 716, To authorize the common council of the town of Chatham to issue bonds.

No. 714, For the relief of G. R. Nichols, deputy for John W. Clay, treasurer of Campbell county.

No. 346, To authorize the board of supervisors of Southampton county to have the lands of all persons in said county, or in selected portions thereof, or of individuals who may request it, processioned.

No. 650, To authorize the board of supervisors of Warwick county to compensate the treasurer of said county.

No. 510, To provide for making, building, and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges in Grayson county.

No. 661, To authorize the board of supervisors of Norfolk county to provide against nuisances near the limits of cities and towns, and within the villages of said county.

No. 229, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Carroll to let to contract the roads of said county and levy a tax to keep the same in order, approved February 29, 1892, and acts amendatory thereof, approved respectively January 22, 1894, and February 2, 1898.

No. 244, To prevent hogs from running at large in the county of Grayson.

No. 721, To amend and re-enact sections one and two of an act, approved January 16, 1896, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor.

No. 751, To incorporate Little Bay Lodge, number 177, I. O. O. F., in Lancaster county, Virginia.

No. 750, Authorizing the district school boards of Campbell county to expend surplus district school funds for the pay of teachers.

No. 748, To amend and re-enact chapter 740 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, session of 1897-'98, entitled an act for the relief of Wiley W. Duncan.

No. 746, Authorizing and empowering the Washington and Alexandria Turnpike Company to dispose of its property and surrender its charter and franchises.

No. 739, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to require the payment of fees on certain charters, approved February 10, 1890, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 28, 1890, and further amended and re-enacted by an act approved January 22, 1894, and further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 3, 1896, and as further amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 1, 1898.

No. 728, To authorize the board of supervisors of Alexandria county to enforce the lien for all county, road, and school taxes that may now be due or may hereafter become due by suit in equity, and to empower the circuit court of Alexandria county to entertain such suit and enforce the provisions of this act by sale of the real estate upon which said taxes are a lien.

No. 724, To provide a road law for Campbell county.

No. 725, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the board of supervisors of the counties of Gloucester and Mathews to make a special levy to be known as the Confederate Relief Fund, approved March 2, 1898.

No. 723, To incorporate the town of Chincoteague, Accomac county.

No. 722, To incorporate the town of Hillsville.

No. 699, To incorporate the Norfolk, Gas, Light, and Fuel Company of Norfolk, Virginia.

No. 700, To incorporate the Virginia Sewerage Company.

No. 785, To prevent hogs from running at large in Page county.

No. 786, To amend section two of an act incorporating the town of Surry.

No. 767, To authorize the school trustees of school district No. 5, in Norfolk county to sell and convey certain school houses and lots in the town of Berkley and the village of South Norfolk.

No. 766, To regulate the hunting and killing or capturing of partridges (or quail) in the county of Norfolk.

No. 765, Enabling the personal representative of Sallie H. Kramer to pay certain moneys to the trustees of the Christian Church in Strasburg, Virginia, under provisions of her will.

No. 759, To declare Rose river in Madison county a lawful fence.

No. 758, To declare the Robertson river in Madison county a lawful fence.

No. 764, To legalize primary elections in the county of Culpeper.

No. 763, To regulate the taking of oysters from the waters of the Potomac river above a line drawn from Mathias Point in King George county, Virginia, to Windmill Point in Charles county, Maryland.

No. 762, To allow Levin Lynch to erect a wharf in Chincoteague bay, Accomac county.

No. 761, To provide for the improvement of roads in Wythe county.

No. 760, To amend and re-enact section one of an act to protect partridges in the counties of Gloucester and Mathews, approved January 18, 1898.

No. 707, Confirming the action of the city council of Alexandria, Virginia, authorizing the use of certain of its streets by the Southern railway company and other railroad companies for the tracks, switches, and turnouts of said companies, and confirming to certain firms, individuals, and corporations rights with respect to the same, as herein particularly set forth.

No. 390, To provide for the issuing of bonds by Montgomery county to macadamize the road from Christiansburg to Blacksburg.

No. 789, To allow the voters of Brown Hill Magisterial District in Franklin county to vote upon the question of the no fence law and to fix the rights of all parties concerned, should the same be adopted.

No. 795, For the protection of farmers, &c., in Buckingham county, by requiring license of labor agents and imposing penalties for violation.

No. 796, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to authorize the Maysville Magisterial District and other magisterial districts of Buckingham county, to vote a subscription towards the construction and extension of the Buckingham branch of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway to Buckingham Court House, approved February 28, 1898, and to authorize a subscription towards the construction of a railroad from some point on said Buckingham Branch in said district to or near Buckingham Court House, and to extensions of said proposed railroad.

No. 742, House bill to provide a vacation for the guards of the Virginia Penitentiary, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. KEEZELL offered an amendment, which was agreed to and passed.

Mr. KEEZELL offered an amendment to the title, which was agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 493, House bill for the relief of R. M. Robinett, of the city of Roanoke, for the payment of a fine imposed by the hustings court of Roanoke city, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 27; noes 2.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—27.

NOES—None.

No. 740, House bill to give the consent of the commonwealth to the purchase or acquisition of real estate by the United States Government, in the city of Portsmouth, for a site of a public building for the accommodation of the United States post-office, internal revenue, and other offices, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 28; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Hartley, Harvey, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham.—28.

NOES—None.

No. 698, House bill for relief of the sureties of L. C. Thomas, late treasurer of Mathews county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 26; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Hartley, Johnson, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

No. 596, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2498 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 27, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 29, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 28, 1898, and as amended and re-enacted by an act ap-

proved March 3, 1898, in relation to deeds of trust and other incumbrances, was taken up, read the third time, and passed.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to amend the title, which was agreed to.

No. 430, House bill for the relief of Caroline Pool and her sureties from the payment of fines imposed by a justice of the peace of Grayson county and confirmed by the county court of said county for selling spirituous liquors without a State license so to do, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 26; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Hartley, Harvey, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

No. 621, House bill for the relief of Mary J. Webb by refunding certain State taxes erroneously paid by her, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 28; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Hartley, Harvey, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—28.

NOES—None.

No. 567, House bill to enable the rector and the board of visitors of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute to provide needed accommodations and equipment for students, and to appropriate money for interest and a sinking fund, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 28; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Hartley, Harvey, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—28.

NOES—None.

No. 675, House bill for the relief of W. L. Rye, of Halifax county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 27; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eg-

gleston, Foster, Hartley, Harvey, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—27.

NOES—None.

No. 586, House bill for the relief of Benjamin T. Gunter, Jr., of Accomac county, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 28; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Hartley, Harvey, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—28.

NOES—None.

No. 471, House bill providing for connection of railroads in the State of Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 649, House bill to authorize the county school board of Campbell county to pay the treasurer two per centum for disbursing the school fund, was taken up, read the third time, and rejected.

No. 517, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 4106 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 23, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1896, in relation to the jurisdiction of police justices and justices of the peace as to the trial of offenders in certain cases, approved February 9, 1898, providing for the prosecution of misdemeanors and the compensation of commonwealth's attorneys for such services, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. HARVEY offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 213, House bill to amend and re-enact section 815 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to bonds of city treasurers, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 507, House bill to provide for submitting the question of liquor licenses to the qualified voters of the town of Big Stone Gap, in the county of Wise.

On motion of Mr. BRUCE, the committee on county city and town was discharged from further consideration of the bill.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time :

No. 575, To amend and re-enact sections 75, 76, 78, 79, 80, 82,

and 83 of the act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Richmond, and the acts amendatory thereof, relating to the lien of the city for taxes assessed on real estate, and to the sale thereof for non-payment of taxes.

No. 593, For the relief of G. T. W. Kern, of Bedford county, Virginia.

No. 608, To prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within one mile of the property commonly known as Walker's Mill, in the county of Greensville.

No. 378, For the relief of James T. Noell, of the city of Radford.

No. 672, Relating to partridges in Norfolk county.

No. 673, Relating to District School No. 5, Norfolk county.

No. 676, In relation to roads in Norfolk county abandoned by turnpike companies.

No. 559, To amend and re-enact section 373 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to prescribe, the mode of appointment, term of office, and duties of the Adjutant-General, approved March 3, 1892, in relation to the salary of the Adjutant-General.

No. 600, To increase the number of contributing members to a military company in cities of more than twenty thousand inhabitants having but one such company.

No. 700, To re-enact and amend section one of the chapter 804, Acts of Assembly 1897-1898, entitled an act to incorporate the Old Dominion Mining Chemical and Electrical Company, approved March 3, 1898.

No. 564, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1913 of chapter 86 of the Code of Virginia relating to the standard of cord measure and of agricultural products, in relation to the standard weight of cotton seed, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 24, 1898, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 223, Senate bill to prevent the pollution of water courses in Washington county, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. STEELE indefinitely postponed.

No. 499, Senate bill to authorize and empower the county and corporation courts of the commonwealth, or the judge thereof in vacation, to suspend any treasurer of any county or city whenever it shall appear from the report of the auditor of public accounts, the board of supervisors, or otherwise, that said treasurer, clerk, or other officer has failed to make settlement or pay over the amount found by such auditor, board of supervisors, &c., to be due from such treasurer, clerk, or other officer, as the law directs; and to authorize and empower said court, or the judge thereof in vacation, to appoint some person to discharge the duties of such treasurer, clerk, or other officer until settlement and payment aforesaid

is made, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 603, Senate bill extending further time to R. D. Buford, late clerk of Bedford county court, to collect fee bills, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. FLOOD (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 36, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 3195 and 3196 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal section 3197 of same Code, in reference to disbarring attorneys at law, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 458, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2564 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to sale of lands when partition cannot be made, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. FLOOD (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 629, Senate bill to validate acknowledgements to deeds of trust taken by clerks of county courts who were, or may be, trustees in said deeds, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. McILWAINE offered an amendment, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. McILWAINE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed.

Mr. McILWAINE offered an amendment to the title, which was agreed to.

No. 477, Senate bill for the relief of W. W. Wood, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. SANDS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 578, Senate bill for the relief of James B. Abbitt, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. FLOOD (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 465, Senate bill to provide for the appointment of a chaplain at the State Penitentiary and to provide for the salary of such chaplain, was taken up, read the second time, committee substitute adopted, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. MORRIS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed.

Mr. MORRIS offered an amendment to the title, which was agreed to.

No. 627, Senate bill in relation to the commitment of minors to the custody of the Prison Association of Virginia and their deten-

tion and discharge by said Association, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. MORRIS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 508, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 581 of the Code of Virginia, in regard to submitting question of liquor license to voters as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 8, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. STEELE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 587, Senate bill to incorporate the West Norfolk Telephone and Telegraph Company, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time.

No. 300, Senate bill to provide for the inspection of steam boilers and to create the office of boiler inspector, was taken up, read the second time, and rejected.

Mr. McILWAINE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 377, Senate bill for the relief of W. R. Colbourne, of the city of Roanoke, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. LYLE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 572, Senate bill authorizing and directing the entry of satisfaction on the judgment lien docket of Wise county of a certain judgment in favor of the commonwealth against Ira Gilliam, late sheriff of Wise county, and the sureties on his official bonds as such sheriff, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. BRUCE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Gold, Harvey, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—25.

NOES—None.

No. 634. Senate bill for the relief of John P. Haller, of the town of Pocahontas, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. St. CLAIR (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 654, Senate bill to provide for the working and repairing of

public roads of Sussex county, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. SHANDS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 628, Senate bill appropriating the sum of \$3,000 to the Prison Association of Virginia, and the sum of \$1,500 to the Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia, for the fiscal year 1900, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WICKHAM (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 26; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Gold, Harvey, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

No. 338, Senate bill for the relief of Charles S. Snider, late deputy sheriff of Smyth county, was taken up, read the second time, committee substitute adopted, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. STEELE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 347, Senate bill for the relief of E. F. Hodges and S. C. Williams from delinquent taxes for the years 1890 and 1891 on certain lands in Halifax county, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. EGLESTON (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 23; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Gold, Harvey, Johnson, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—23.

NOES—None.

No. 686, House bill to transfer to the county of Shenandoah the State's interest in the Mt. Jackson and Howard Lick Turnpike Company.

Mr. LUPTON moved that the committee on roads and internal navigation be discharged from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

Mr. MORRIS, by leave, presented

No. 724, A bill to amend and re-enact section 1437 of the Code of Virginia, relating to term of county superintendents; vacancy

defined; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 725, A bill authorizing the school board of Grayson county to pay J. K. Phipps, late treasurer of said county, two per cent. for disbursing State school fund apportionment, No. 1; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on public institutions and education.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 726, A bill to incorporate Buckingham Warehouse Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time; ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. FLOOD, by leave, presented

No. 727, A bill creating special board for Buckingham county, and defining its duties; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. MORRIS, from the committee on public institutions and education, reported without amendment

No. 724, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1437 of the Code of Virginia, relating to term of county superintendents; vacancy defined.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment

No. 706, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to define and prescribe the effect as evidence of deeds conveying property heretofore or hereafter sold under deed of trust, or mortgage, or under any judicial proceedings, approved February 10, 1898.

Mr. McILWAINE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported without amendment

No. 674, House bill to authorize the governor to appoint a board of commissioners for the promotion of the uniformity of legislation in the United States.

Mr. MORRIS presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That when the Senate adjourns to-day it adjourns to meet at 11 A. M. to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. TYLER, the Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 11:00 o'clock.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, March 1, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to relieve the heirs of Adeline V. Hall from erroneous assessment of land, No. 126; an act to exempt from taxation the property of the Kings Daughters Hospital of Portsmouth, Virginia, No. 410; an act for the relief of J. H. Ruebush, of the county of Rockingham, from improper assessment, No. 140; an act to authorize the county school board of Prince George county to pay the treasurer for disbursing school fund, No. 605; an act to authorize the trustees of Nomini Baptist Church of Christ, in Westmoreland county, to sell and convey the Antioch meeting house and the lot of land on which it stands, No. 591; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Caroline county to increase the salary of the overseer of the poor of Bowling Green district in Caroline county, No. 604; an act to amend and re-enact section 3874 of the Virginia Code of 1887, in relation to the land owners in Rockingham county keeping streams flowing through their lands free from obstructions, No. 680; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to compensate school trustees, other than clerks, in Westmoreland and Northumberland counties, approved February 2, 1898, No. 681; and an act to amend and re-enact section 7 of the charter for the town of Stuart, in Patrick county, No. 682.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bills entitled an act allowing James W. Bonner, treasurer of Bath county, and his deputies, further time within which to distrain, levy, and collect certain tax tickets and license taxes not returned delinquent, for which he has heretofore accounted to the State or to the county, and the districts of said county, No. 594; an act for the relief of the sureties of treasurers and deputy treasurers of Henry county, by extending the time of collection and levy and distress for taxes and levies for which have been already accounted for to the commonwealth and said county, No. 289; and an act to authorize the Washington, Alexandria and Mt. Vernon Railway Company to dispose of its surplus electric power by sale, lease, or otherwise, No. 660.

They have receded from its amendments to Senate bill entitled an act to incorporate the Imperial Union of the city of Richmond, No. 184.

They have passed with amendments Senate bills entitled an act

to amend and re-enact section 22, chapter 95, Acts of Assembly of 1876-'77, of an act approved February 17, 1887, entitled an act to provide for working and keeping the public roads in order in Clarke county, No. 230; an act to authorize the enlargement of the corporate limits of the city of Staunton, when approved by vote of the people affected, and providing for the taking of such vote, No. 362; an act to amend and re-enact sections 1744, 1745, 1746, 1747, 1749, 1750, and 1752 of chapter 77 of the Code, regulating the practice of medicine and surgery in Virginia, No. 158; and an act to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to authorize the superintendent of the Virginia penitentiary to lease or purchase a farm, and to erect thereon suitable buildings for the care and employment of convicts, approved January 22, 1894, so as to provide for an increase in the compensation of the guards at said farm, No. 45.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to provide for the repair, maintenance, construction, and permanent improvement of the public roads of Henrico county; to purchase toll roads; to raise revenue therefor, and create a commission to have charge of the same; to authorize the board of supervisors of said county to borrow money therefor by the issue of bonds, and to authorize the qualified voters of said county to vote on the question of issuing said bonds, No. 717; an act providing for the working and keeping in order, building and maintaining the public roads and bridges in the county of Scott, No. 749; an act in relation to the commitment of minors to the custody of the Prison Association of Virginia, and their detention and discharge by said Association, No. 774; an act to refund to Byrd Willis one hundred and four dollars, illegally withheld from him by superintendent of penitentiary, No. 798; an act to refund to Thomas J. Thornton \$17.50 erroneously charged to him by the superintendent of penitentiary, No. 799; an act to prohibit the killing of young sturgeon in the James river and its tributaries, No. 1042; an act for the protection of crabs in the waters of Lynnhaven river and its tributaries, in the county of Princess Anne, No. 1043; an act to amend and re-enact sections 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 312, 313, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 313 of chapter 21 of the Code, in relation to the formation of battalions, regiments, brigades, and divisions, approved March 3, 1894; 314, 317, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 317 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the increase of the number of regimental staff officers of the State militia, approved February 17, 1898; 318, 319, 320, 321, 323, 324, 338, 340, 357, 358, 359, 360, 365, 370, and 371 of chapter 21 of the Code of Virginia, No. 1044; an act to amend and re-enact section 2148 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 743 of the Acts of 1893, and '94, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2135, 2137, 2148, and the independent sections 3, 5,

8, and 10, and to repeal section 9 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2137, 2148, 2151, and 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145 and 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 25, 1892, and to amend and re-enact sections 2150, 2164, and 2182 of the Code of Virginia, and to add independent sections thereto, and to repeal an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3 and 5 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2148, 2151, 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2145, 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 25, 1892, which was approved March 2, 1894, approved March 5, 1894, No. 1045; an act for the relief of H. L. Stone, treasurer of Pulaski county, No. 1046; an act to legalize primary elections in the county of Warwick, No. 1047; an act to legalize primary elections in the county of York, No. 1048; an act to authorize the several district school boards of the county of Nansemond to expend any part of the surplus district school fund for pay of teachers, No. 1049; an act to declare the boundary line between the counties of Greene and Albemarle a lawful fence, No. 1050; an act to authorize and empower the trustees of the parsonage property, located at Batesville, Virginia, of the Batesville circuit of the Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to sell and convey its old parsonage; to collect and re-invest the proceeds in another parsonage, No. 1051; an act to provide for the appointment of special prosecuting attorneys in the county of Alexandria, No. 1052; an act to amend and re-enact section 848, of the Code of Virginia of 1887, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 848 of chapter 36 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the compensation of supervisors, approved March 5, 1894, and by an act entitled an act in reference to compensation of supervisors of Lee county, Virginia, approved February 14, 1896, and by an act entitled an act in reference to the compensation of supervisors of Lee county, Virginia, No. 1055; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in order, building, and maintaining the public roads and bridges in the county of Scott, the opening and establishment of new roads, and to provide the funds therefor, approved February 14, 1898, No. 1056; an act to authorize Wm. K. Perrin, treasurer of Gloucester county, and his deputies, to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected tax tickets, No. 1057; an act to authorize the board of supervisors of Greenville county to relieve Mrs. S. V. Michaels from the payment of certain delinquent taxes due for county and district purposes, No. 1059; and an act to incorporate the Elizabeth City Railroad Company, No. 1060.

In which amendments and bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 158, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 1744, 1745, 1746, 1747, 1749, 1750, and 1752 of chapter 77 of the Code regulating the practice of medicine and surgery in Virginia, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. HARVEY moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 230, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 22, chapter 95, Acts of Assembly of 1876-'77, of an act approved February 17, 1877, entitled an act to provide for working and keeping the public roads in order in Clarke county, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. GOLD moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 45, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to authorize the superintendent of the Virginia penitentiary to lease or purchase a farm, and to erect thereon suitable buildings for the care and employment of convicts, approved January 22, 1894, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 362, Senate bill to authorize the enlargement of corporate limits of the city of Staunton, when approved by vote of the people affected, and providing for taking such vote, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. OPIE moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 749, House bill providing for the working and keeping in order, building, and maintaining the public roads and bridges in the county of Scott, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 774, House bill in relation to the commitment of minors to the custody of the Prison Association of Virginia, and their detention and discharge by said association, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 1042, House bill to prohibit the killing of young sturgeon in the James river and its tributaries, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 1043, House bill for the protection of crabs in the waters of Lynnhaven river and its tributaries, in the county of Princess Anne, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on fish and game.

No. 1044, House bill to amend and re-enact section 300, 301,

302, 303, 304, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 312, 313, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 313 of chapter 21 of the Code, in relation to the formation of battalions, regiments, brigades and divisions, approved March 3, 1894; 314, 317, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 317 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the increase of the number of regimental staff officers, of the State militia, approved February 17, 1898; 318, 319, 320, 321, 323, 324, 338, 340, 357, 358, 359, 360, 365, 370, and 371 of chapter 21 of the Code of Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 1045, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2148 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 743 of the Acts of 1893 and '94, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2135, 2137, 2148, and the independent sections 3, 5, 8, and 10, and to repeal section 9 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2137, 2148, 2151, and 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145, and 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 25, 1892, and to amend and re-enact sections 2150, 2164, and 2182 of the Code of Virginia, and to add independent sections thereto, and to repeal an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3 and 5 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2148, 2151, 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2145, 2147, of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 25, 1892, which was approved March 2, 1894, approved March 5, 1894, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 1046, House bill for the relief of H. L. Stone, treasurer of Pulaski county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TATE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 1050, House bill to declare the boundary line between the counties of Greene and Albemarle a lawful fence, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. KEEZELL (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 1051, House bill to authorize and empower the trustees of the parsonage property located at Batesville, Virginia, of the Batesville Circuit of the Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to sell and convey its old parsonage; to collect and reinvest the proceeds in another parsonage, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 1059, House bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Greeneville county to relieve Mrs. S. V. Micheals from the pay-

ment of certain delinquent taxes due for county and district purposes, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. HARTLEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1057, House bill to authorize Wm. K. Perrin, treasurer of Gloucester county, and his deputies to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected tax tickets, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BLAKEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 1056, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in order, building and maintaining the public roads and bridges in the county of Scott, the opening and establishment of new roads, and to provide the funds therefor, approved February 14, 1893, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 1055, House bill to amend and re-enact section 848 of the Code of Virginia of 1887, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 848 of chapter 36 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the compensation of supervisors, approved March 5, 1894, and by an act entitled an act in reference to compensation of supervisors of Lee county, Virginia, approved February 14, 1896, and by an act entitled an act in reference to the compensation of supervisors of Lee county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1052, House bill to provide for the appointment of special prosecuting attorneys in the county of Alexandria, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1049, House bill to authorize the several district school boards of the county of Nansemond to expend any part of the surplus district school fund for pay of teachers, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SHANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1048, House bill to legalize primary elections in the county of York, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1047, House bill to legalize primary elections in the county

of Warwick, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1060, House bill to incorporate the Elizabeth City Railroad Company, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. TYLER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. TYLER offered an amendment, which was agreed to; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. TYLER moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, which was agreed to.

Mr. TYLER then offered an amendment, which was agreed to; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 799, House bill to refund to Thomas J. Thornton \$17.50 erroneously charged to him by the superintendent of penitentiary, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. EGGLESTON (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 24; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Opie, Sands, Tyler, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—24.

NOES—None.

No. 798, House bill to refund to Byrd Willis one hundred and four dollars, illegally withheld from him by superintendent of penitentiary, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 24; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Opie, Sands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—24.

NOES—None.

No. 717, House bill to provide for the repair, maintenance, construction, and permanent improvement of the public roads of Henrico county; to purchase toll roads; to raise revenue therefor, and create a commission to have charge of the same; to authorize the board of supervisors of said county to borrow money therefor

by the issue of bonds, and to authorize the qualified voters of said county to vote on the question of issuing said bonds, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. SANDS offered an amendment which was agreed to; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. KEEZELL from the special committee appointed to examine the office of the clerk of the Senate made the following report:

Your committee appointed to examine the clerk's office of the Senate respectfully report that they have performed that duty; they find the office in good order, with a complete file of the journal and other documents, which are carefully preserved and protected. The clerk, to whose courtesy we are indebted for valuable assistance in the discharge of our duty, is, in our opinion, a most competent and faithful officer, and we beg leave to bear cheerful testimony to his ability and fidelity in the discharge of his duties.

GEO. B. KEEZELL,
GRAHAM CLAYTOR,
GEO. W. MORRIS.

Which was adopted.

Mr. BARKSDALE, from the committee for courts of justice, reported without amendment

No. 673, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3436 of the Code of Virginia in reference to the jurisdiction of injunctions.

Mr. MORRIS, from the committee on public institutions and education, reported without amendment

No. 269, Senate bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Bland county to levy a tax for district school purposes.

The bill was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. TATE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. FLOOD, from the committee on privileges and elections, reported without amendment

No. 498, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 117 of the Code of Virginia, with reference to how judges of election appointed; failing to attend; who to act; approved March 3, 1898.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 153, House bill to legalize primary elections in the county of Elizabeth City.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 708, House bill to legalize primary elections and conventions in the county of Isle of Wight.

And he, from the same committee, reported without amendment

A resolution relating to who the State of Virginia is to recognize as governor of Kentucky.

Mr. SANDS, from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment

No. 642, House bill for the relief of John E. Morris, of Newport News, Virginia.

No. 704, House bill to permit the registration of W. W. Childs as a pharmacist.

Mr. WICKHAM, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 728, House bill for the relief of Warren S. Sholes.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 753, House bill for relief of James H. Wilson.

No. 686, House bill to transfer to the county of Shenandoah the State's interest in the Mt. Jackson and Howard Lick Turnpike Company, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 28; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Claytor, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Massie, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—28.

NOES—None.

No. 695, Senate bill to incorporate the Norfolk and Lynnhaven Railroad and Terminal Company, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. FOSTER (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 548, House bill to permit A. A. McAllister, of the county of Alleghany, to change the bed of Dunlap's creek, near its mouth, through his own lands, near the town of Covington, in said county, was taken up.

Mr. JOHNSON moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 599, Senate bill to regulate the sale of cider, wine, or other intoxicants within two miles of the corporate limits of the town of Bridgewater, in the county of Rockingham, was taken up.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

No. 707, Senate bill to provide for registration of births and deaths, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. WATKINS offered an amendment, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WATKINS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WATKINS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 530, House bill to extend the time in which R. D. Buford, ex-clerk of Bedford county court, may collect fee bills, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 728, A bill for the relief of Warren S. Sholes; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. COGBILL, by leave, presented

No. 729, A bill authorizing the board of supervisors of Goochland county to increase the salary of the county judge; which, on his motion was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

To the President of the Senate:

Your committee on executive expenditures has examined the account kept in connection therewith, and find that of the civil contingent fund the Executive has expended from January 1, 1898 to December 31, 1899, the sum of \$14,654.68.

The accounts seem to be properly kept.

A. ST. CLAIR, *Chairman*,
PHILIP V. COGBILL,
G. M. WALLACE.

The committee on executive expenditures made the above report, which was agreed to.

No. 125, Senate bill to provide for selling, granting and conveying to the Colonial Water Company ten acres of land lying under the waters of the York river in the county of Gloucester and to permit said company to hold said land and to erect a hotel and other buildings thereon, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. BLAKEY moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 190, Senate bill to direct and authorize county and corporation courts to strike from the list of lands returned delinquent for non-payment of taxes, levies, &c., such as are erroneously thereon, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

Mr. BARKSDALE introduced the following resolution:

Whereas, It is desirable that all Confederate sites and fortifications should be located and marked, that the world may "in the future see" and know these associations of the Great Struggle; and

Whereas, The Confederate Memorial Literary Society of Richmond, Virginia, composed of the patriotic women of the South, has undertaken this work, at its own expense; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the House of Delegates of Virginia (the Senate concurring), That permission be, and the same is, hereby given the said Confederate Memorial Literary Society of Richmond, Virginia, to mark, with suitable tablets of bronze, stone or other durable material, containing appropriate inscriptions, any and all buildings or other property, belonging to the Commonwealth, that were used for the purposes of, or associated with, the war between the States.

2. The Governor of the commonwealth shall have the right of supervision over all such work.

3. This joint resolution shall be in force from its passage.

Which was agreed to.

No. 482, House bill for the protection of game in the counties of Alleghany, Augusta, Bath, Botetourt, Highland, Rockbridge and Rockingham, and prescribing penalties for violation of same, and to prohibit non-residents of the State of Virginia from hunting or killing game in any of the said counties without first obtaining a license therefor, except such non-residents as are *bona fide* owners in fee simple of real estate in one or more of said counties, and prescribing the license tax upon such non-residents, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. KEEZELL offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to amend the title, which was agreed to.

No. 411, House bill fixing the rates of toll upon the Warm Springs and Harrisonburg turnpike, and repealing all existing law in conflict with this act so far as it effects said turnpike, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. KEEZELL offered the following amendment:

Strike out the third section of the bill.

Which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 18; noes, 5. Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Morris, Sands, Steele, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—18.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Johnson, Opie, St. Clair and Walker—5.

And passed.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to amend the title, which was agreed to.

No. 279, House bill imposing upon railroad corporations, and any receiver, trustee, lessee, mortgagee, or other person operating a railroad in the State of Virginia, liability for damages or injury sustained by any person, including employees of such corporation, in consequence of the negligence, carelessness, incompetency of

any officer, agent, conductor, engineer, or other employee of such corporations, receiver, trustee, lessee, mortgagee, or other persons, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the third time, and rejected by the following vote—ayes, 10; noes, 17.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Cogbill, Flood, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Sands, Walker and Watkins—10.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Massie, Morris, Munford, St. Clair, Steele, Wallace and Wickham—17.

Mr. **OPIE** stated that he was paired with Mr. **FAIRFAX**, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. **DONOHUE** stated that he was paired with Mr. **WHITEHEAD**, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. **TYLER** stated that he was paired with Mr. **TATE**, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. **SHANDS** stated that he was paired with Mr. **MAYNARD**, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

Mr. **JEFFRIES** stated that he was paired with Mr. **McILWAINE**, were he present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. **MANN** stated that he was paired with Mr. **CLAYTOR**, were he present he would vote aye and I would vote no.

Mr. **JEFFRIES** moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. **MORRIS** offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the chair be vacated at 3 o'clock to-day, to be resumed at 4 o'clock.

Which was agreed to.

No. 64, Senate bill to amend acts regulating procedure by which subscriptions to joint stock companies may be recovered, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the third time, and rejected by the following vote—ayes, 14; noes, 15.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Eggleston, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Johnson, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Opie, Steele, Walker and Watkins—14.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Dinwiddie, Donohue, Flood, Gold, Jeffries, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Morris, Munford, Shands, Tyler, Wallace and Wickham—15.

Mr. **ST. CLAIR** stated that he was paired with Mr. **TATE**, were he present he would vote no and I would vote aye.

On motion of Mr. **BLAKEY**, the Senate resolved itself into executive session, and having dispatched the business before them, the doors were opened and the following resolution, adopted in executive session (the injunction of secrecy being removed), was ordered to be spread on the journal of the Senate and a copy thereof be forwarded to the Governor :

Resolved, That the Senate advise and confirm the following names of gentlemen to serve on the respective State boards for which they are designated :

University of Virginia.

R. T. Irvine—of Wise.
Joseph Bryan—of Henrico.
Daniel Harman—of Charlottesville.
R. Walton Moore—of Fairfax.

To serve on the board of visitors of the University of Virginia for the term of four years, beginning February 28, 1900.

Southwestern State Hospital.

W. G. Howe—of Wythe.
J. R. Gildersleeve—of Tazewell.
H. O. Humphries—of Bedford.

To serve on the board of directors of the Southwestern State Hospital for the term of three years, from April 15, 1900.

Eastern State Hospital.

William R. Aylett—of King William.
T. McCracken—of Fredericksburg.
B. R. Cowherd—of Goochland.

To serve on the board of directors of the Eastern State Hospital for the term of three years, from the 15th of April, 1900.

Western State Hospital.

E. E. Stickley—of Shenandoah.
C. C. Conway—of Orange.
John W. Todd—of Staunton.

To serve on the board of directors of the Western State Hospital for the term of three years, from the 15th of April, 1900.

Central State Hospital.

Robert Gilliam—of Petersburg.
George W. Le Cato—of Accomac.
E. A. Craighill—of Lynchburg.

To serve on the board of directors of the Central State Hospital for the term of three years, from the 15th day of April, 1900.

Deaf and Dumb and Blind Institution.

M. B. Rowe—of Spotsylvania.

G. W. Butts—of Nansemond.

To serve on the board of visitors of the Deaf and Dumb and Blind Institution for the term of three years, from the 6th of March, 1900.

On motion of Mr. EGGLESTON, the chair was vacated until 4 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

FRIDAY, March 2, 1900.

No. 769, House bill to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges of the county of Washington, and to authorize the board of supervisors to borrow money by the issue of bonds and to build bridges and macadamize the roads in said county, and to authorize the qualified voters of said county to vote on the question, was taken up.

Mr. STEELE moved to postpone the bill indefinitely, which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 12; noes, 15.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Claytor, Cogbill, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Munford, Sands, Steele, Tyler, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—12.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, James, Lyle, Morris, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Walker and Watkins—15.

Mr. LUPTON stated that he was paired with Mr. MASSIE, were he present, he would vote aye, and I would vote no.

Mr. BRUCE offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. MORRIS offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 18; noes, 14.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, James, Lupton, Lyle, Morris, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Walker and Watkins—18.

NOES—Messrs. Claytor, Cogbill, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Munford, Sands, Steele, Tyler, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—14.

On motion of Mr. BRUCE, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A communication was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. JONES, who informed the Senate that that House had passed

No. 1076, House bill authorizing the board of supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight, Virginia, to appoint a special collector of delinquent county taxes and levies, and allow compensation for same.

The bill was taken up, twice read, and placed on the calendar.

No. 575, Senate bill to amend and re-enact sections 75, 76, 78, 79, 80, 82 and 83 of the act approved May 24, 1870, providing a charter for the city of Richmond, and the acts amendatory thereof, relating to the lien of the city for taxes assessed on real estate, and to the sale thereof for non-payment of taxes, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. MUNFORD, indefinitely postponed.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 36, To amend and re-enact sections 3195 and 3196 of the Code of Virginia, and to repeal section 3197 of same Code, in reference to disbarring attorneys at law.

No. 378, For the relief of James T. Noell, of the city of Radford.

No. 587, To incorporate the West Norfolk Telephone and Telegraph Company.

No. 608, To prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within one mile of the property commonly known as Walker's Mill, in the county of Greensville.

No. 593, For the relief of G. T. W. Kern, of Bedford county, Virginia.

No. 672, Relating to partridges in Norfolk county.

No. 673, Relating to District School No. 5, Norfolk county.

No. 559, To amend and re-enact section 373 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to prescribe the mode of appointment, term of office, and duties of the adjutant-general, approved March 3, 1892, in relation to the salary of the adjutant-general.

No. 600, To increase the number of contributing members to a military company in cities of more than twenty thousand inhabitants having but one such company.

No. 700, To re-enact and amend section one of chapter 804, Acts of Assembly, 1897-1898, entitled an act to incorporate the Old Dominion Mining and Electrical Company, approved March 3, 1898.

No. 676, In relation to roads in Norfolk county abandoned by turnpike companies.

No. 5, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3166 of the

Code, in relation to trial by jury, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. CLAYTON, indefinitely postponed.

No. 597, Senate bill to repeal section 13 of chapter 2 of the act of March 6, 1890, to provide for assessments of taxes, etc., relating to liquor licenses, and to annul and re-enact section 3, 4, 5, 6 and 8 of said chapter, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. WALKER offered an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. MANN offered an amendment, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WALKER (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed.

Mr. WALKER offered an amendment to the title, which was agreed to.

No. 531, Senate bill to allow sheriffs, sergeants, or constables fee for making return on executions delivered to them by clerks of courts in cases where no levy or forthcoming bond is taken, was taken up.

Mr. EGGLESTON moved to indefinitely postpone the bill, which was rejected.

The bill was then passed by.

No. 528, Senate bill to amend and re-enact the third and fourth sub-divisions of section 1439 of the Code of Virginia, 1887, in reference to the duties of county school superintendents, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, and the Senate refused to engross the bill.

No. 633, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 27, 1896, as amended by an act approved January 24, 1900, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved March 3, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, as amended by an act approved February 7, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 525 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the collection of fees of the commissioner of the revenue, was taken up, read the second time, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS, indefinitely postponed.

No. 491, Senate bill to establish a dispensary in the city of Staunton, was taken up, read the second time, and the Senate refused to engross the bill.

No. 699, House bill to authorize clerks to enter record on delinquent land books when lands are redeemed from purchaser, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WALKER (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 698, House bill to amend and re-enact section 651 of the Code of Virginia, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WALKER (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 669, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the garnishment of and levy of execution on wages and salaries of all State officials, clerks, and employees, approved February 24, 1900, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time.

No. 637, Senate bill for the relief of Mrs. Lucy E. Yancey, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. GLASS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—25.

NOES—None.

No. 651, Senate bill for the relief of James A. Armistead, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. GLASS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 24; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—24.

NOES—None.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. HARVEY (two-thirds concurring), were read the third time, and passed with their titles by the following vote—ayes, 26; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

No. 687, For the relief of Johnson & Early, assignees of Mag. Crockett.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

No. 688, For the relief of Johnson & Early, assignees of George Dalton.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

No. 689, For the relief of Johnson & Early, assignees of Gordon S. Ogle.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

No. 690, For the relief of S. G. Robinson & Co., assignees of Thomas Bryant.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

No. 691, For the relief of Johnson & Early, assignees of Mary McGee.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

No. 692, For the relief of S. G. Robinson & Co., assignees of M. C. Stoneman.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

No. 693, For the relief of Johnson & Early, assignees of C. M. Edwards.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

No. 694, For the relief of Johnson & Early, assignees of Richard Beasley.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—26.

NOES—None.

Mr. WICKHAM, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported without amendment

No. 738, House bill to amend and re-enact section one of an act to incorporate the Virginia Electric Railway Company, approved February 27, 1894, and to change the name thereof to the Virginia Railway and Electric Company, approved February 16, 1898.

No. 508, House bill to amend and re-enact section 957 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to pay of viewers, commissioners, surveyors, and chain carriers.

Mr. KEEZELL moved to discharge the committee on general laws from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. BARKSDALE, by leave, presented

No. 730, A bill for the relief of Sarah Ann Jones, widow of a Confederate soldier of Halifax county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 405, Senate bill to incorporate the Virginia State Horticultural

Society and to define its powers and duties, was taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. LUPTON (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes 27; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Morris, Munford, Opie, Shands, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—27.

NOES—None.

No. 640, Senate bill declaring Birch creek, in Halifax county, to be a highway, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. BARKSDALE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 706, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to define and prescribe the effect as evidence of deed conveying property heretofore or hereafter sold under deed of trust or mortgage, or under any judicial proceedings, approved February 10, 1898, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. LYLE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 724, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1437 of the Code of Virginia, relating to term of county superintendents; vacancy defined, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. BLAKEY moved to pass the bill by, which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 7; noes, 21.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Cogbill, Donohoe, Massie, Shands, Tyler and Walker—7.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Bruce, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Morris, Opie, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—21.

Mr. BARKSDALE moved to adjourn, which was rejected.

Mr. FLOOD called the pending question, which was agreed to.

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed by the following vote—ayes, 16; noes, 14.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Dinwiddie, Flood, Foster, Gold, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Le Cato, Lupton, Lyle, Morris, Opie, Sands, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—16.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Glass, Hartley, Keezell, Mann, Massie, Shands, Tyler and Walker—14.

Mr. BRUCE, by leave, presented

No. 731, A bill for the relief of Daniel Ramey, a Confederate soldier, of Wise county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 580, Senate bill to re-enact sections 2234, 2235, 2236, 2237, 2238, 2243, 2244, 2245, 2246, 2247, 2248, 2249 of the Code of Virginia, repealed by an act approved March 4, 1898, in relation to the registration and records of births and deaths in the State of Virginia, was taken up, read the second time, and, on motion of Mr. WATKINS, indefinitely postponed.

No. 62, Senate bill for a relief fund for disabled firemen and families of deceased firemen.

Mr. LYLE moved to discharge the committee on finance and banks from further consideration of the bill, which was rejected.

No. 715, Senate bill to repeal an act to provide for the government of schools in the county of Frederick, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. LUPTON (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 716, Senate bill to empower the town of Clarksville to subscribe to the capital stock of the Clarksville Toll Bridge Company, to issue bonds to pay such subscription, and to hold an election to determine whether or not such subscription, shall be made, and to levy taxes to pay the interest and principal of said bonds, was taken up, read the second time.

Mr. EGGLESTON offered an amendment, which was agreed to, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. EGGLESTON (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 727, Senate bill creating special board for Buckingham county and defining its duties, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. FLOOD (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 723, Senate bill to ratify, approve, and confirm the action of the City Council of Alexandria, under authority of which the Washington Southern Railway Company maintains and operates its tracks as now constructed in Henry, Fayette, and St. Asaph streets, in the city of Alexandria, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed on motion of Mr. DONOHUE (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 599, Senate bill to regulate the sale of cider, wine, or other intoxicants, within two miles of the corporate limits of the town of Bridgewater, in the county of Rockingham, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and

being forthwith engrossed on motion of Mr. KEEZELL (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 743. House bill to amend and re-enact section one of the charter of the town of Buchanan, in the county of Botetourt, approved March 4, 1898.

Mr. JOHNSON moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 704. House bill to permit the registration of W. W. Childs as a pharmacist, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WICKHAM, by leave, presented

No. 732. A bill for the relief of James E. Bullock, a Confederate veteran; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 608. House bill to regulate the sale of cider and other intoxicants in the village of Fork Union, Fluvanna county, Virginia.

On motion of Mr. FLOOD the committee on finance and banks was discharged from further consideration of the bill.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. MUNFORD the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates, by their clerk, was read as follows:

In House of Delegates, March 2, 1900.

The House has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact the first section of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Ballston Railroad Company, approved February 23, 1900, No. 632; an act to allow B. M. Apperson, deputy treasurer of Culpeper, further time in which to collect certain tax bills, No. 615;

an act to validate certain contracts made and entered into by and between the Farmville Building and Trust Company, of Farmville, Virginia, and its members, No. 256; an act to allow John M. McCarty to erect a pier on the Rappahannock river, and to build a house thereon, No. 663; an act authorizing the board of supervisors of Wise county to increase the pay of the commonwealth's attorney of said county to a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, to be paid out of the county levy, No. 684; an act to incorporate the Richmond and Washington Air Line Railway Company, No. 342; an act to protect the interest of the State of Virginia in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, by exhibiting the execution of certain traffic contracts, No. 492; an act to empower and instruct the board of sinking fund commissioners to sell the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad, and to repeal an act entitled an act to empower and instruct the board of sinking fund commissioners to sell the State's interest in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, and to invest the proceeds of sale in century bonds, approved March 3, 1894, No. 560; an act to amend and re-enact section 420 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved February 12, 1894, in relation to the use by the commissioners of the sinking fund of any surplus money in the treasury in the purchase of bonds of the State issued under the acts of February 14, 1882, and February 20, 1892, No. 561; an act to protect the interest of the State in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company, and to prevent the construction of a line of railroad from Richmond to the Potomac river until the interest of the State in the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company is disposed of, No. 569; an act in relation to the commitment of minors to the custody of the prison association and their detention and discharge by said association, No. 627; an act to incorporate the Norfolk and Lynnhaven Railroad and Terminal Company, No. 695; an act to provide for the working and repairing of public roads in Greensville county, No. 705; an act to provide for the working and repairing of public roads of Sussex county, No. 654; an act to prevent hogs from running at large upon the public streets and roads of Montgomery, and to provide a penalty for the same, No. 702; and an act to amend and re-enact independent section 11 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2137, 2148, 2151, 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145, 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 25, 1892, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 831 of the acts of 1895 and 1896, approved March 5, 1896, as further amended by chapter 241 of the acts of 1899-1900, No. 709.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House

bills entitled an act to repeal section 3830 of the Code of Virginia, No. 402; an act to amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code, in relation to fish ladders, as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 2105 of the Code of 1887, touching fish ladders, approved January 14, 1900, No. 125; an act to provide a vacation for the guards of the Virginia Penitentiary, No. 742; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 4106 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 23, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 5, 1896, in relation to the jurisdiction of police justices and justices of the peace as to the trial of offenders in certain cases, approved February 9, 1898, providing for the prosecution of misdemeanors and the compensation of commonwealths attorneys for such services, No. 517; an act providing for connection of railroads in the State of Virginia, No. 471; an act to amend and re-enact section 2498 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 27, 1894, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 29, 1896, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved February 28, 1898, and as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 2, 1898, in relation to deeds of trust and other incumbrances, No. 596; and an act to provide for working and keeping in repair the public roads and bridges of the county of Washington, and to authorize the board of supervisors to borrow money by the issue of bonds and to build bridges and macadamize the roads in said county, and to authorize the qualified voters of said county to vote on the question, No. 769.

They have passed with amendments Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3089 of the Code of Virginia, and section 3090 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 18, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 112, 633, 674, 2533, 3045, 3053, 3090, 3091, 3455, 3492, 4048, and 4049 of an act entitled an act to revise and arrange and consolidate into a code the general statutes of the commonwealth, approved May, 16, 1897, No. 229; and an act to amend and re-enact the charter of the town of Chatham, No. 305.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 103 of an act approved January 16, 1896, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter theretor, No. 435; an act for the relief of J. Greenspon, No. 1067; an act to authorize the voters of James River district in Buckingham county to vote on fence law, No. 1074; an act to incorporate the First Free School Society, of Alexandria, Virginia, No. 1075; an act to repeal chapter 230 of Acts 1893 and 1894, approved February 12, 1894, entitled an act to authorize Floyd, Carroll, and Grayson to vote subscriptions to the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, in so far as it applies to Carroll county, No. 1078; an act to authorize the county of Carroll

to vote to rebate taxes on the Atlantic and Western Railroad in said county, No. 1079; an act to incorporate the Coeburn, Clinch Valley, and Nickelsville telephone company, No. 1080; House joint resolution appointing a member of the Electoral Board for Loudoun county, No. 1073; an act to amend section 848 of the Code of Virginia as amended by an act approved March 1, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 848 of the Code of Virginia relating to the compensation of supervisors, No. 1201; an act to allow Frank McKay to erect an oyster or guard house in Mesongo Creek, Accomac county, Virginia, No. 1202; an act to authorize the Council of the town of Martinsville in Henry county to pay the sergeant the same proportional compensation as that allowed by law to county treasurers, No. 1192; an act to incorporate the Rappahaunock, Peninsula and Western Railroad Company, No. 1063; an act to facilitate the construction of telegraph and telephone lines along and upon the right of way of railroads in the State of Virginia, and to provide for condemnation of such right of way, No. 1194; and an act to prohibit the sale of all kinds of cider in the county of King and Queen except apple cider, without a license, and to prescribe a penalty therefor, No. 1204.

In which amendments and bills, they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 229, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 3089 of the Code of Virginia, and section 3090 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 18, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 112, 633, 674, 2533, 3045, 3053, 3090, 3091, 3455, 3492, 4048, and 4049 of an act entitled an act to revise and arrange and consolidate into a code the general statutes of the commonwealth, approved May 16, 1897, with House amendments, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. HARVEY the Senate concurred in the House amendments.

No. 435, House bill to amend and re-enact section 103 of an act approved January 16, 1896, entitled an act to incorporate the city of Newport News, in the county of Warwick, and to provide a charter therefor, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on county, city and town.

No. 1067, House bill for the relief of I. Greenspon, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

No. 1074, House bill to authorize the voters of James River district in Buckingham county to vote on fence law, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1075, House bill to incorporate the First Free School Society, of Alexandria, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on

motion of Mr. DONOHUE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1078, House bill to repeal chapter 230 of Acts 1893 and 1894, approved February 12, 1894, entitled an act to authorize Floyd, Carroll, and Grayson to vote subscriptions to the Blue Ridge Railroad Company, in so far as it applies to Carroll county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. HARVEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1079, House bill to authorize the county of Carroll to vote to rebate taxes on the Atlantic and Western Railroad in said county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. HARVEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1080, House bill to incorporate the Coeburn, Clinch Valley, and Nickelsville Telephone Company, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BRUCE (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1073, Joint resolution: Resolved by the House of Delegates (the Senate concurring), That Edward McCray be, and he is, hereby elected a member of the electoral board of Loudoun county to fill a vacancy; was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FAIRFAX (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1201, House bill to amend section 848 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved March 1, 1898, entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 848 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the compensation of supervisors, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. WICKHAM (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1202, House bill to allow Frank McKay to erect an oyster or guard house in Mesungo creek, Accomac county, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. LE CATO (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1192, House bill to authorize the council of the town of Martinsville, in Henry county, to pay the sergeant the same proportional compensation as that allowed by law to county treasurers, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JAMES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and

on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1063, House bill to incorporate the Rappahannock, Peninsula and Western Railroad Company, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 1194, House bill to facilitate the construction of telegraph and telephone lines along and upon the right of way of railroads in the State of Virginia, and to provide for condemnation of such right of way, was taken up, twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

No. 1204, House bill to prohibit the sale of all kinds of cider in the county of King and Queen, except apple cider, without a license, and to prescribe a penalty therefor, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. BLAKLEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WATKINS, from the special committee appointed to examine the register of the land office, made the following report:

RICHMOND, VA., February 28, 1900.

To the Senate of Virginia :

Your committee appointed to examine the office of the register of the land office, report that they have performed that duty, and that they find the records well and nicely kept, and up to date, and that the general good order presented by the many books and files kept in this office indicate that much care and attention is given their preservation by the present Register. We recommend that the Register establish regular office hours, and remain in his office during the same, for the benefit of those desiring to consult the records therein.

Respectfully submitted,

A. D. WATKINS,
EDWARD LYLE,
GEO. W. LE CATO,

Committee.

Mr. MANN offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate of Virginia (the House of Delegates concurring), That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and the members of the House of Representatives be requested to use their influence with the proper officers of the government of the United States, to take all proper and necessary action to induce foreign governments now employing the Regie System of purchasing tobacco, to substitute some other method of securing revenue for that product, and if necessary to make tariff concessions to induce such action, and in like manner that the government of the United States use its influence to prevent the adoption of the Regie System by those governments which do not now employ it.

Which was agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the Governor by his secretary

informing the Senate that the Governor had vetoed Senate bill 211.

The committee under joint resolution appointed to examine the contract with the Davis Shoe Co., made the following report:

To the General Assembly of Virginia:

Your committee, appointed to investigate the contract between the State and the Davis Shoe Company, begs leave to make the following report:

We find that the Davis Shoe Company and the State of Virginia entered into a contract a number of years past for the working of the convicts in the penitentiary, and that a series of contracts for that purpose have been made. The contracts covering the years from 1880 to 1887, and from 1887 to 1893, the contracts made in 1894 and 1897 being submitted to us.

We find that a contract exists, made in 1899, for the employment of convicts, which was to run until 1906.

We find that, during the year 1899, a contract was made on the ——— day of ———, 1899, for the employment of convicts, which was to begin in 1906 and to run until 1913, under which contract the State was to receive for each convict employed under said contract the sum of forty-two cents per diem.

Your committee entered into an investigation to learn, if possible, the reason of this last contract being made so far ahead of the expiration of the contract existing at the time it was entered into, and your committee also desired to find if this contract was advantageous to the State, or if a better contract could have been made.

The testimony shows that the superintendent of the penitentiary, with the advice and consent of the Governor, has a right, under section 4172 of the Code, to "enter into contract for the employment of convicts in the penitentiary," and it was under this authority that these contracts were made.

The testimony further shows that the superintendent, in making this contract, acted under and by consent of the Governor, and also that the board of directors of the penitentiary were called into consultation; and that said new contract was approved by the entire board, they signifying their approval by signing the same.

It appears from the testimony that the Davis Shoe Company requested renewal of their contract, and it was at their suggestion and instance that the matter was taken up and the last contract made.

The reasons assigned for this action were, that it was the usual custom to make new contracts from three to seven years before the expiration of the old contracts, as was shown by the previous contracts made, and that the permanent character of the business engagements required to be made by the Davis Shoe Company made it desirable that they should know that their plans would not be disturbed, in order that they might make their engagements with safety.

The State officials who testify say, also, that they entered into the contract because they had been contracting with the Davis Shoe Company for a long period of time, and that their relations had been entirely satisfactory. The Davis Shoe Company, by reason of these contracts, had placed in the penitentiary buildings an extensive and valuable shoe manufacturing plant, and they thought the contract made with them was for the best interest of the State.

The testimony shows that no publicity was given to the fact that a new contract was to be made for the employment of convicts in the penitentiary, and no effort was made to find if a better contract could be made with persons or shoe manufacturers other than the Davis Shoe Company. One of the board of directors testified that he saw no necessity for this renewal so far ahead of the expiration of the old contract, and that he signed it reluctantly.

An examination of the contract shows that it reserves to the Davis Shoe Company the right to rescind this contract upon sixty days' notice and the forfeiture of \$3,000, while no such right is reserved to the State—thus binding the State for a period of thirteen years, during which period the State can take advantage of no better contract, while the said company can rescind at any time upon the above forfeiture.

Your committee endeavored to find the value of the plant of the Davis Shoe

Company now in the penitentiary, but beyond its taxable value, shown by the commissioner of the revenue's books of the city of Richmond, no valuation could be obtained.

Your committee would state that if it is the policy of the State to permit the convicts to be employed in any branch of manufacturing—and it is evident that such policy is permitted by the provisions of section 4172—the manufacture of boots and shoes, as now conducted, appears to interfere less with free labor in the State than any other branch of industry which can be successfully introduced; and your committee would recommend that, if said policy of employing convicts in manufacturing is continued, a law be passed requiring the hiring of said convicts by the superintendent of the penitentiary with due notice, and requiring publicity to be given to the fact that new contracts are to be made.

In conclusion, your committee beg leave to say that they are of the opinion that the State's officials who had charge of this contract acted as they thought best for the State's interest, and therefore these officials should not be subjected to any adverse criticism on account of their connection with the contract.

EDWARD LYLE,
S. L. LUPTON,
J. W. GREGORY,
T. C. PILCHER,
E. C. FOLKES.

The report was laid on the table and ordered printed.

Mr. WICKHAM offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Delegates concurring), That our senators and representative in congress be respectfully requested to use their influence in favor of the passage of the bill entitled a bill to provide for the employment of women nurses in military hospitals of the army, said bill being known and designated as Senate bill No. 2699 and House bill 6879, respectively.

Which was agreed to.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. CARDWELL who informed the Senate that that House had agreed to the foregoing resolution.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PATTERSON, who informed the Senate that that House had passed the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution requesting United States Senators John W. Daniel and Thomas S. Martin to secure the passage of an amendment to the United States Constitution providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

Be it resolved (the Senate concurring), That Hon. John W. Daniel and Hon. Thomas S. Martin be, and they are hereby, requested to use their best efforts to secure an amendment to the Constitution of the United States providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

2. This resolution shall take effect from its passage.

The resolution was subsequently taken up by the following vote—ayes, 22; noes, 6.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Harvey, James, Johnson, Keezell, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Shands, St. Clair, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—22.

NOES—Messrs. Foster, Glass, Gold, Jeffries, Morris and Wickham—6.

The resolution, after being discussed, was, on motion of Mr. WICKHAM, passed by.

Mr. WICKHAM, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 318, House bill to amend and re-enact sub-section first of section 184, concerning the salary of members and officers of the General Assembly.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 553, House bill to provide for the appointment of commissioners of valuation, and defining their duties.

He, from the same committee, reported with amendments

No. 697, House bill to give aid to soldiers, sailors, and marines disabled in the war between the States, and to every such soldier, sailor, or marine who by disease or other infirmities of age, is disabled from earning or is without the means of procuring a support, and to the widows of Virginia soldiers, sailors, or marines who lost their lives in said war in the military or naval service, or whose husbands have died since the war, was taken up, and made the special and continuing order for to-day at 1:15 P. M.

The hour for the special order having arrived, the bill was read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 33; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—33.

NOES—None.

Mr. KEEZELL was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 730, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 11, 1898, entitled an act to impose additional duties upon the examiner of records of the several judicial circuits, with reference to ships, tug-boats, barges, boats, or other water craft.

He, from the same committee, reported without amendment

No. 393, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 472 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the assessment of taxes, as amended and re-enacted by an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved February 28, 1890.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the second time, com-

mittee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. MANN (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MANN was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

He, from the same committee, reported committee resolution in respect to salary of A. NASH JOHNSON, one of the members of the Senate of Virginia.

He, from the same committee, reported the following bills without amendment:

No. 509, Senate bill for the relief of P. C. Balderson, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 519, Senate bill for the relief of Geo. W. Finney, a Confederate soldier.

No. 529, Senate bill for the relief of Lewis B. Dulaney, of Scott county, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 703, Senate bill for the relief of S. H. Coleman, Sr., a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 704, Senate bill for the relief of Mary A. Ferguson, the widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 720, Senate bill for the relief of Jack Wray, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 721, Senate bill for the relief of John G. Callis, a disabled Confederate soldier.

And he, from the same committee, reported with amendment

No. 541, Senate bill for the relief of J. A. Paynter, a disabled Confederate soldier.

No. 712, Senate bill for the relief of Susan Heflin, widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 713, Senate bill for the relief of Mary English, widow of a Confederate soldier.

No. 719, Senate bill for the relief of J. T. Bagg, a disabled Confederate soldier.

Mr. FLOOD, from the committee on general laws, reported without amendment

No. 1044, House bill to amend and re-enact section 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 312, 313, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 313 of chapter 21 of the Code, in relation to the formation of battalions, regiments, brigades and divisions, approved March 3, 1894; 314, 317, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 317 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the increase of the number of regimental staff officers, of the State militia, approved February 17, 1898; 318, 319, 320, 321, 323, 324, 338, 340, 357, 358, 359, 360, 365, 370, and 371 of chapter 21 of the Code of Virginia

And he, from the same committee, reported with an amendment

No. 776, House bill to prohibit the sale or firing of cannon crackers in this State.

No. 615, House bill to create a department of insurance, to provide for the election of an insurance commissioner, and to prescribe his duties and powers, to provide revenue for the support of the government, to regulate fire and other insurance companies, and to prescribe penalties for violations of this act, being the special order of the day, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. OPIE moved to commit the bill to the committee on finance and banks, which was agreed to.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PILCHER, who informed the Senate that that house had passed the following joint resolution :

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That the present session of the General Assembly be extended until Wednesday, March 7, 1900, but no legislative matter of any character shall be introduced, reported or acted upon in either house after Tuesday, 2 o'clock, March 6, 1900.

The resolution was taken up.

Mr. KERZELL offered the following amendment :

Strike out in last line the words " Tuesday, 2 o'clock, March 6, 1900," and insert in lieu thereof the words " Monday night, March 5, 1900, at midnight."

Which was agreed to, and the joint resolution, as amended, adopted by the following vote—ayes, 29 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Fairfax, Flood, Glass, Gold, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lyle, Mann, Morris, Opie, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

Mr. KERZELL was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. McILWAINE offered the following joint resolution :

Resolved by the Senate of Virginia (the House of Delegates concurring), That the General Assembly of Virginia learns with sincere regret of the death of the Hon. Sydney P. Epes, member of Congress from the fourth district of Virginia.

Resolved, further, That the General Assembly hereby records its appreciation of the valuable public services rendered by Mr. Epes, and extends its sympathy to his bereaved family.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. MANN was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. MORRIS, from the committee on public institutions and education, made their report of the various institutions of the State, and it was ordered to be printed in the Journal.

We, the sub-committee selected to examine and report on the condition and conduct of the public institutions of the State, beg leave to report that we visited, March 1, the College of William and Mary, at Williamsburg, and the Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute, at Hampton, and found both these institutions in excellent condition and well managed. The College of William and Mary is, however, in great need of funds for lighting, heating and making proper water connections, and we cordially recommend that the appropriation asked for by the President, to-wit: \$5,000 per annum for the next two fiscal years, be granted.

G. W. LE CATO, *Chairman*,
D. G. TYLER,
THOMAS E. BLAKEY,
R. P. BRUCE,
JOHN N. OPIE,
EDWARD LYLE,
GEO. B. KEEZELL.

To the General Assembly of Virginia:

We, the sub-committee selected to examine and report on the condition and conduct of the Eastern State Hospital, respectfully report that on February 16, 1900, we visited Williamsburg, and were appropriately received by the superintendent and officers of the institution, and on careful inspection, found the books and accounts properly audited and in good shape; the patients all seemed well cared for, and the sanitary conditions of the grounds and buildings were good. In this connection, we desire to commend the good appointment and conduct of the infirmary which has lately been erected and equipped for the care of the sick of the hospital. We respectfully report that the laundry is in bad condition, and, as a matter of economy, a sum sufficient to build and equip a new one should be appropriated.

In our opinion, a good and proper return is being made the State for all of the money appropriated, and we desire to commend the officers and employees of the hospital for their admirable discharge of the duties entrusted to them.

GEO. W. LE CATO, *Chairman*,
GEO. B. KEEZELL,
THOMAS E. BLAKEY,
C. H. WALKER,
R. P. BRUCE,
JOHN N. OPIE,
EDWARD LYLE,
D. G. TYLER.

Mr. JEFFRIES offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the chair be vacated, to be resumed at 4 P. M. this evening.

Which was agreed to.

The chair was vacated until 4 P. M.

EVENING SESSION.

SATURDAY, March 3, 1900.

The House joint resolution in relation to instructing the United States Senators from Virginia to secure the passage of an amendment to United States constitution, providing for the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people, was taken up, and adopted by the following vote—ayes, 21; noes 2.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Foster, Gold, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Mann, McIlwaine, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Watkins and Whitehead—21.

NOES—Messrs. Lupton and Morris.—2.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 458, To amend and re-enact section thirty-one hundred and forty-four of the Code of Virginia, in relation to names of jurors to be written on separate ballots, ballots to be folded and deposited in a secure box.

No. 457, to amend and re-enact section thirty-one hundred and forty-two of the Code of Virginia, in relation to judges of county, corporation courts to prepare annually lists of jurors.

No. 454, To amend and re-enact section 3146 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3146 and 3147, of the Code of Virginia in relation to jurors.

No. 455, To amend and re-enact section 3152 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to how courts may discharge jurors or dispense with their attendance and provide for the time of service of jurors, and how any person may be disqualified to serve on any jury.

No. 453, To amend and re-enact section 3147 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to when and how court or judge may order greater number of jurors ; duty of clerks in such case ; issue *venire facias*, as amended and re-enacted by an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3146 and 3147 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to jurors.

No. 441, To amend and re-enact sections sixty-seven and seventy-one of the Code of 1887, in relation to the appointment of registrars and the registration of voters.

No. 443, To amend and re-enact sections thirteen and seventeen of an act approved March 4, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for a method of voting by ballott, approved March 6, 1894.

No. 735, To ratify, confirm, and amend the charter of the Norfolk Electric Company.

No. 737, To incorporate the Bohemian-Slavonic Farmers Mutual Benefit Insurance Society of Virginia.

No. 752, To amend and re-enact section 5 of an act approved December 19, 1893, entitled an act to change the name of the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, and to amend and re-enact sections 1 and 9 of an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, and also to amend and re-enact sections 2, 3, 5, and 15 of an

act approved January 19, 1892, entitled an act to amend sections 2, 3, 5, 11, and 15 of an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, approved March 4, 1890, and also to amend and re-enact section 8 of an act approved March 4, 1890, entitled an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, and also to amend and re-enact section 11 of an act approved January 19, 1892, entitled an act to amend sections 2, 3, 5, 11, and 15 of an act to incorporate the Virginia Safe Deposit and Fidelity Company, approved March 4, 1890.

No. 706, To amend and re-enact section 2 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Point Comfort Beach Railway Company, in effect January 31, 1898.

No. 686, To authorize the Virginia-Carolina Railway Company to sell or lease its railroad property and franchises to, and to consolidate or merge its stock, railroad property, and franchises with any other railroad company operating or authorized to operate a connecting line of railroad, and to lease from any such railroad company its property, rights, and franchises.

No. 489, House bill to amend section 3652 of the Code of Virginia, so as to provide that a householder may waive the exemption made in his favor by said section, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. LYLE moved to recommit the bill to the committee on general laws, which was rejected.

Mr. LYLE moved to indefinitely postpone the bill, which was rejected.

Mr. BARKSDALE called the pending question, which was agreed to.

The bill was then passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 14; noes, 12.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Cogbill, Foster, Gold, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, McIlwaine, Morris, Shands, Tyler and Watkins—14.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Eggleston, Flood, James, Lyle, Mann, Opie, Walker, Wallace and Whitehead—12.

Mr. BARKSDALE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. WICKHAM, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported without amendment

No. 684, House bill to authorize and regulate the erection and maintenance of wires for telephone, telegraph, electric railway, and other purposes over or across the works of any company chartered as a work of internal improvement. or over or across the wires of any telephone, telegraph, electric railway, or electric company.

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 733, A bill for the relief of R. G. Willis, a disabled Confederate soldier; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. LYLE, by leave, presented

No. 734, A bill for the relief of Jacob Kanode, of Montgomery county; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and referred to the committee on finance and banks.

Mr. HARVEY, by leave, presented

No. 735, A bill to amend and re-enact section 4 of an act approved March 3, 1900, entitled an act to incorporate the Independence and Grayson Railroad Company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 591, House bill to authorize the principal of the King and Queen High School to grant and confer certificates, diplomas, &c.

Mr. BLAKEY moved to discharge the committee on public institutions and education from further consideration of the bill.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 695, House bill empowering the trustees of the parsonage property of Covington Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to sell and convey said property, and to dispose of the proceeds of such sale and re-invest the same.

Mr. JOHNSON moved to discharge the committee on general laws from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 691, House bill to prohibit the hauling of seine in the counties of Prince George and Surry.

Mr. TYLER moved to discharge the committee on finance and banks from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 442, House bill to amend and re-enact section 64 of the Code of 1887, in relation to the election by the General Assembly of electoral boards, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 15; noes, 13.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Eggleston, Flood, Gold, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Lyle, McIlwaine, Morris, Tyler, Whitehead and Wickham—15.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Cogbill, Glass, Harvey, Keezell, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Opie, Shands, Walker, Wallace and Watkins—13.

No. 1067, House bill for the relief of I. Greenspon.

Mr. LYLE moved to discharge the committee on finance and banks from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time, and passed with its title, by the following vote—ayes, 27 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Claytor, Cogbill, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Gold, James, Jeffries, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, Opie, Shands Steele, Tate, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—27.

NOES—None.

No. 139, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3711 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 359 of Acts of Assembly, 1893-94, as further amended and re-enacted by chapter 118, Acts of Assembly, 1897-98, making dogs in the cities of Richmond, Manchester, Petersburg, and Alexandria, and in the counties of Henrico and Dinwiddie, and all dogs listed for taxation, personal property, and subject of petit larceny and trespass, was taken up, read the third time, and rejected.

Mr. LUPTON moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 197, House bill to amend and re-enact section 499 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the listing of dogs for taxation, was taken up, read the third time, and rejected.

Mr. LUPTON moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 677, House bill to incorporate the Westhampton Railway Company, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. TYLER, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 664, House bill to incorporate the Fire Insurance Salvage Corps of Richmond, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. TYLER moved to reconsider the vote.

Mr. JEFFRIES moved to pass the motion by.

No. 553, House bill to provide for the appointment of commissioners of valuation, and defining their duties, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. BARKSDALE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected by the following vote—ayes, 13 ; noes, 16.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Cogbill, Donohoe, Foster, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Keezell, Massie, Shands, Walker and Whitehead—13.

NOES—Messrs. Bruce, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Flood, Jeffries, Johnson, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Morris, Opie, Steele, Tyler, Wallace, Watkins and Wickham—16.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles:

No. 669, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the garnishment of and levy of execution on wages and salaries of all State officials, clerks and employees, approved February 24, 1900.

No. 499, Senate bill to authorize and empower the county and corporation courts of the commonwealth, or the judge thereof in vacation, to suspend any treasurer of any county or city whenever it shall appear from the report of the auditor of public accounts, the board of supervisors, or otherwise, that said treasurer, clerk, or other officer has failed to make settlement or pay over the amount found by such auditor, board of supervisors, &c., to be due from such treasurer, clerk, or other officer, as the law directs; and to authorize and empower said court, or the judge thereof in vacation, to appoint some person to discharge the duties of such treasurer, clerk, or other officer until settlement and payment aforesaid is made.

No. 724, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 1437 of the Code of Virginia, relating to term of county superintendents; vacancy defined, was taken up, read the third time, and, on motion of Mr. MORRIS, indefinitely postponed.

No. 590, Senate bill to amend and re-enact the fifth section of an act approved March 4, 1896, entitled an act to amend and re-enact chapter 2 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools, and to pay interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, and to repeal section 9 of chapter 2 of this act, relating to liquor licenses, was taken up, read the second time, and, on motion of Mr. WALKER, indefinitely postponed.

No. 554, House bill to amend and re-enact section 709 of Code of Virginia of 1887, in relation to compensation of agents.

Mr. GLASS moved to discharge the committee on finance and banks from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 718, Senate bill to amend and re-enact an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, entitled an act to regulate the granting of licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof in the town of Blackstone, Nottoway county, Va., or in two miles thereof.

Mr. MANN moved to discharge the committee on finance and banks from further consideration of the bill which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the second time, ordered to be engrossed,

and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed on motion of Mr. MANN (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. WATKINS was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 728, Senate bill for the relief of Warren S. Sholes, was taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time, and being forthwith engrossed on motion of Mr. GLASS (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 24; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Massie, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Watkins and Wickham—24.

NOES—None.

On motion of Mr. MASSIE he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 774, House bill in relation to the commitment of minors to the custody of the Prison Association of Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and on motion of Mr. WATKINS indefinitely postponed.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. WILLARD, who informed the Senate that that House had passed House bill No. 1196.

The bill was twice read, and referred to the committee on roads and internal navigation.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of Mr. WICKHAM (two-thirds concurring), were read the third time, and passed with their titles by the following vote :

No. 43, For the relief of George W. Collins, of Henry county, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 44, For the relief of Stephen Thomason, of Henry county, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29, noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 48, For the relief of Sarah A. Tabor, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 50, For the relief of Wm. W. Prease, an ex-Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 51, For the relief of David M. Rife, an ex-Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 63, For the relief of Marcus W. Beal, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 73, For the relief of Josiah Dodson, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 74, For the relief of Middleton W. Coger, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 76, For the relief of H. H. Bays, an ex-Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 104, For the relief Mrs. W. W. Smith, of Danville, Va., the widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 107, For the relief of Joseph E. Mozingo, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 113, For the relief of Sarah A. Pavy, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 119, For the relief of Dabney Abbott, an ex-Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 144, For the relief of Richard T. Vaughan, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 148, For the relief of William H. Wood, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 156, For the relief of Bettie O. Bloxton, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 177, For the relief of Thomas H. Durham, a needy Confederate soldier, of Essex county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 209, For the relief of Mrs. Virginia F. Gayle, the widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 235, For the relief of Samuel J. Nunnally, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 238, For the relief John Zigler, a Confederate soldier, of Patrick county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 237, For the relief of L. D. McMilliou, Sr., a Confederate soldier, of Patrick county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 234, For the relief of R. J. Overton, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 239, For the relief of William Bowling, a disabled Confederate soldier, of Patrick county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 251, For the relief of Peter J. Hight, a Confederate soldier of Nelson county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 266, For the relief of W. A. Turpin, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 268, For the relief of James A. Lawhorn, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 261, For the relief of George A. Bowling, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 283, For the relief of Sarah D. Griggs, the widow of a Confederate soldier, of the county of Patrick—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 284, For the relief of E. F. Lawrence, the widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 304, For the relief of A. J. Ramsey, a Confederate soldier of Pittsylvania county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 308, For the relief of W. C. Layman, a disable Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 306, For the relief of Harriett G. Hodnett, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 323, For the relief of Louisa J. Barron, widow of a Confederate soldier of Wise county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 352, For the relief of John T. Tipton, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 366, For the relief of Samuel M. Hawkins, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 394, For the relief of S. A. Dekins, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 419, For the relief of Mildred A. Lewis, of Appomattox—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 423, For the relief of A. H. Faulkner, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 495, For the relief of William R. Watson, J. D. Hankins, and C. H. Childress, disabled Confederate soldiers—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 558, For the relief of Cumberland G. Bradshaw, a disabled Confederate soldier, of Culpeper county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 579, For the relief of Robert A. Doyle, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 609, For the relief of Jno. J. Hedderly, a wounded Confederate soldier, of Halifax county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 618, For the relief of Wm. A. Wingfield, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 642, For the relief of G. W. Pierce, a Confederate soldier of Halifax county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 653, For the relief of W. S. Guy, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 658, For the relief of R. L. Taylor, a Confederate veteran—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 529, For the relief of Lewis B. Dulaney, of Scott county, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 509, For the relief of P. C. Balderson, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 519, For the relief of George W. Finney, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 678, For the relief of Gillie Bush, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 704, For the relief of Mary A. Ferguson, the widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 721, For the relief of John G. Callis, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 732, For the relief of James E. Bullock, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 733, For the relief of R. G. Willis, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 486, For the relief of Martha Britzendine, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 703, For the relief of S. H. Coleman, Jr., a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 714, For the relief of Mary F. Byrd, of Rockingham county, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 720, For the relief of Jack Wray, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29, noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 731, For the relief of Daniel Ramey, a Confederate soldier of Wise county—ayes, 29 ; noes, none.

Senatars who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

The following Senate bills were taken up, read the second time, committee amendments agreed to, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time ; and being forthwith engrossed, on motion of **Mr. WICKHAM** (two-thirds concurring), were read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 47, For the relief of Isaac P. Louthen, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 70, For the relief of W. B. Megginson, a Confederate veteran—ayes, 29 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 75, For the relief of Wm. P. Jesse, an ex-Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 141, For the relief of J. W. Suthin, a disabled Confederate soldier, of Rockingham county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 165, For the relief of Wm. A. Hopkins, a disabled Confederate soldier, of Bedford county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 166, For the relief of H. P. Huddleston, a Confederate soldier, of Bedford county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 167, For the relief of David W. Quarles, a disabled Confederate soldier, of Bedford county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 168, For the relief of Henry C. Cheek, an ex-Confederate soldier, of Bedford county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 169, For the relief of James L. Arthur, a disabled Confederate soldier, of Bedford county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 185, For the relief of John W. Weaver, a disabled Confederate soldier, of Augusta county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 310, For the relief of Grief C. Chumney, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 328, For the relief of George A. King, a Confederate soldier, of Floyd county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 336, For the relief of R. R. Lynn, a Confederate soldier, of Rockbridge—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 365, For the relief of Robert H. Gaines, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 373, For the relief of George T. Campbell, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 382, For the relief of Mrs. Susan E. Cheatham, of Appomattox county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 383, For the relief of Robert Penick, of Appomattox county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 387, For the relief of Daniel Yeattes, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 398, For the relief of James W. Newman, an ex-Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 395, For the relief of M. Robertson, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 404, For the relief of W. T. Childress, of Appomattox county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 401, For the relief of Joseph Galloway, of Lee county, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 422, For the relief of Henry E. Barksdale, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 424, For the relief of R. T. Tucker, of Appomattox county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 437, For the relief of Malinda Wright, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 457, For the relief of Charles P. Ross, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 479, For the relief of J. W. Eley, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 500, For the relief of Joseph Crouch, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 563, For the relief of W. L. Savage, of Henrico county, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 594, For the relief of A. R. Payne, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 614, For the relief of Geo. W. Earnest, a wounded Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 619, For the relief of Wm. H. Hite, a disabled Confederate soldier, of Nelson county—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 541, For the relief of J. A. Painter, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 645, For the relief of J. N. Luck, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are.

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 649, For the relief of Wesley Hefin, and ex-Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 496, For the relief of Mrs. ——— St. John and Mrs. Booker T. Davis, widows of Confederate soldiers—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 712, For the relief of Susan Hefin, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 713, For the relief of Mary English, widow of a Confederate veteran—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

No. 719, For the relief of J. T. Bragg, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Ople, Shands, Steele, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—29.

NOES—None.

On motion of Mr. WICKHAM the chair was vacated until 8 o'clock.

NIGHT SESSION.

SATURDAY, March 3, 1900.

The following House bills were taken up, read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 731, To allow sheriffs, sergeants, or constables a fee for making return on executions delivered to them by the clerks of courts in cases where no levy or forthcoming bond is taken.

No. 729, Entitled an act to 'repeal an act, approved March 3rd, 1892, entitled an act to require prisoners, charged with a capital offense, and on trial in a county court, to select in which court he shall be tried before making a motion for a continuance.

No. 367, To regulate the schedule charges for selling loose tobacco on warehouse floors.

No. 371, To incorporate the Newport News Trust and Safe Deposit Company.

No. 309, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act for working, keeping in repair, and building the roads and bridges in Buckingham county, approved March 4, 1896, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend the road law of Buckingham county, approved December 22, 1897.

No. 217, To ratify and confirm an agreement entered into on

June 20, 1899, between the Young Men's Christian Association of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the board of visitors of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College and Polytechnic Institute, as to the use of a building being erected on the grounds of the said institute.

No. 467, To authorize and enable the town of Warrenton to call in the outstanding bonds of the town issued pursuant to acts of the General Assembly of Virginia, and to replace them by a new issue of bonds bearing a less rate of interest, and to borrow money, and to extend the time of payment of the bonded indebtedness of the said town.

No. 642, For the relief of John E. Morris, of Newport News, Virginia.

No. 153, To legalize primary elections in the county of Elizabeth City.

No. 673, To amend and re-enact section 3436 of the Code of Virginia in reference to the jurisdiction of injunctions.

No. 1045, To amend and re-enact section 2148 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 743 of the Acts of 1893 and '94, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2135, 2137, 2148, and the independent sections 3, 5, 8, and 10, and to repeal section 9 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2137, 2148, 2151, and 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2144, 2145, and 2147 of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 25, 1892, and to amend and re-enact sections 2150, 2164, and 2182 of the Code of Virginia, and to add independent sections thereto, and to repeal an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3 and 5 of an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 2131, 2133, 2134, 2135, 2148, 2151, 2153, and to repeal sections 2141, 2142, 2143, 2145, 2147, of chapter 97 of the Code of Virginia in relation to oysters, and to add independent sections thereto, approved February 25, 1892, which was approved March 2, 1894, approved March 5, 1894.

No. 1057, To authorize Wm. K. Perrin, treasurer of Gloucester county, and his deputies to levy and distrain for the collection of certain uncollected tax tickets.

No. 1056, To amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the working and keeping in order, building and maintaining the public roads and bridges in the county of Scott, the opening and establishment of new roads, and to provide for funds therefor, approved February 14, 1898.

No. 749, Providing for the working and keeping in order, building and maintaining the public roads and bridges in the county of Scott.

No. 1051, To authorize and empower the trustees of the parsonage property, located at Batesville, Virginia, of the Batesville

Circuit of the Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to sell and convey its old parsonage; to collect and re-invest the proceeds in another parsonage.

No. 1050, To declare the boundary line between the counties of Greene and Albemarle a lawful fence.

No. 1046, For the relief of H. L. Stone, treasurer of Pulaski county.

No. 1042, To prohibit the killing of young sturgeon in the James River and its tributaries.

No. 1076, Authorizing the board of supervisors of the county of Isle of Wight, Virginia, to appoint a special collector of delinquent county taxes and levies, and allow compensation for same.

No. 756, House bill to authorize courts to exclude from all trials of felony or misdemeanor cases all persons whose presence is not deemed necessary, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to, and passed. Committee amendment to title was agreed to.

No. 543, Senate bill to incorporate the Virginia Telephone and Telegraph Company, upon reconsideration, was taken up, and on motion of Mr. FLOOD, indefinitely postponed.

No. 361, House bill to amend and re-enact an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 7, 1894, which amended and re-enacted section 106 of an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 6, 1890, in relation to license to be paid by persons keeping livery stables.

Mr. OPHE moved to discharge the committee on finance and banks from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 22; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Lyle, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—22.

NOES—None.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 627, House bill to prescribe the times for holding the circuit courts in the thirteenth judicial circuit, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. JOHNSON offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

No. 552, House bill to amend an act to provide a roster for ex-Confederate soldiers, &c., was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 23; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood,

Foster, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lyle, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—23.

NOES—None.

No. 500, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1292 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the delivery and forwarding of dispatches by telegraph and telephone companies, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. BARKSDALE moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 674, House bill to authorize the governor to appoint a board of commissioners for the promotion of the uniformity of legislation in the United States, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 24; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Steele, Tyler, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—24.

NOES—None.

No. 708, House bill to legalize primary elections and conventions in the county of Isle of Wight, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. SHANDS moved to indefinitely postpone the bill, which was agreed to.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. CARDWELL, who informed the Senate that that house had passed

No. 1220, House bill to amend and re-enact section 499 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the listing of dogs for taxation.

The bill was subsequently taken up.

Mr. DINWIDDIE moved to suspend the rules and place the bill on the calendar, which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 19; noes, 5.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Flood, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins and Whitehead—19.

NOES—Messrs. Donohoe, Eggleston, Keezell, Morris and Wickham—5.

The bill was then read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. STEELE moved to reconsider the vote.

Mr. FLOOD moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

No. 1221, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3711 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 359 of Acts of Assembly 1893-'94, as further amended and re-enacted by chapter 118, Acts of Assembly, 1897-'98, making dogs in the

cities of Richmond, Manchester, Petersburg, Alexandria, Newport News, Norfolk, Bristol and Roanoke, and in the counties of Henrico, Pulaski, Dinwiddie, Surry, Prince George, Franklin, Warwick, Clarke, Warren, Prince Edward, Isle of Wight, Accomac, Hanover, Washington, Elizabeth City and York, and all dogs listed for taxation, personal property and subjects of petit larceny and trespass.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 14; noes, 9.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Flood, Harvey, Johnson, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Opie, Shands, Walker and Watkins—14.

NOES—Messrs. Donohoe, Eggleston, Keezell, Lupton, Morris, Steele, Tyler, Whitehead and Wickham—9.

Mr. STEELE moved to reconsider the vote.

Mr. FLOOD moved to pass the motion by, which was agreed to.

No. 753, House bill for the relief of James H. Wilson, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 27; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Bruce, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Gold, Harvey, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Watkins, Whitehead and Wickham—27.

NOES—None.

No. 498, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 117 of the Code of Virginia, with reference to how judges of election appointed; failing to attend; who to act; approved March 3, 1898, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. FLOOD moved to indefinitely postpone the bill, which was agreed to.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. MATHEWS, who informed the Senate that that House had passed

No. 1183, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 2 and 3 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Onancock and Drummond-town Electric Railway, Light and Power Company, approved March, 1900.

The bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 738, House bill to amend and re-enact section 1 of an act to incorporate the Virginia Electric Railway Company, approved February 27, 1894, and to change the name thereof to the Virginia Railway and Electric Company, approved February 16, 1898, was taken up.

Mr. TYLER offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. HUBBARD, who informed the Senate that that House had passed

No. 1077, House bill incorporating the Buckingham Tram Road Company.

The bill was taken up, and on motion of Mr. WATKINS, placed on the calendar.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PETTIT, who informed the Senate that that House had passed

No. 1200, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to prevent deception in manufacture and sale of imitation butter, approved January 29, 1898.

The bill was taken up, and on motion of Mr. KEEZELL, placed on the calendar; and on his further motion, read the third time, and passed with its title.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. FOLKES, who informed the Senate that that House had passed

No. 1066, House bill to authorize the board of directors of the penitentiary to employ assistant clerks when needed or to apportion the clerical work of the penitentiary among those now employed and to apportion their compensation therefor.

The bill was taken up, and on motion of Mr. EGGLESTON (the rules being suspended therefor), placed on the calendar.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. SETTLE, who informed the Senate that that House had passed

No. 1082, House bill to incorporate the Piedmont Railway Company.

The bill was taken up, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 776, House bill to prohibit the sale or firing of cannon crackers in this State, was taken up, read the third time, committee amendments agreed to.

Mr. EGGLESTON moved that the bill be indefinitely postponed, which was agreed to.

Mr. KEEZELL, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 732, Senate bill for the relief of R. G. Willis, a disabled Confederate soldier.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, the Senate adjourned until Monday at 12 o'clock.

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of Saturday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, March 3, 1900.

The House of Delegates has passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 90 of an act approved February 28, 1896, entitled an act to provide for the city of Roanoke, in relation to justices of the peace in said city, No. 701; an act to incorporate the Protective Insurance Company of Virginia, No. 717; an act to incorporate the Buckingham Warehouse Company, No. 726; and act to amend and re-enact section 4 of an act approved March 3, 1900, entitled an act to incorporate the Independence and Grayson Railroad Company, No. 735; an act to empower the the town of Clarksville to subscribe to the capital stock of the Clarksville Toll Bridge Company, to issue bonds to pay such subscription, and to hold an election to determine whether or not such subscription shall be made, and to levy taxes to pay the interest and principal of said bonds No. 716; an act to repeal an act to provide for the government of schools in the county of Frederick, No. 715; and an act to repeal chapter 81 of the Code, and to repeal an act approved February 29, 1888, entitled an act to further define the duties and enlarge the powers of the commissioner of agriculture, and an act approved March 5, 1888, entitled an act to provide for a board of agriculture of Virginia, and making appropriation therefor, and to reform the department of agriculture, provide for the appointment of a commissioner and board of agriculture, define the duties of the commissioner and board; to regulate the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers, and impose a tax on said fertilizers, No. 179.

They have agreed to Senate joint resolution requesting our representatives in Congress to use their influence to induce foreign governments now employing the Regie system of purchasing tobacco to substitute some method; and Senate joint resolution in respect to nurses in military hospitals.

They have agreed to the amendments proposed by the Senate to House bill entitled an act to give aid to soldiers, sailors and marines disabled in the war between the States, and to every such soldier, sailor or marine who, by disease or other infirmities of age, is disabled from earning or is without the means of procuring a support, and to the widows of Virginia soldiers, sailors or marines who lost their lives in said war in the military or naval service, or whose husbands have died since the war, No. 697, with an amendment to the Senate amendment.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 3, 4 and 5 of an act of the General Assembly, approved February 23, 1888, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Blackstone, in Nottoway county, Virginia, No. 1199; an act to repeal an act approved March 1, 1892, to regulate hunting in the county of Orange, No. 1197; an act to amend and re-enact an act approved February 17, 1890, as amended by an act approved February 12, 1892, to protect the owners of bottles, boxes, siphons, and kegs used in the sale of soda water, mineral or aerated waters, porter, ale, milk, cream, small beer, white beer, weiss beer, lager beer, or other beverages, medicines and perfumery, and fix the punishment for the unlawful having, handling, using, trafficking in, or disposing of such bottles, boxes, siphons and kegs, and to provide when and how a search warrant may be issued to discover and obtain the same, and to declare and define what shall be deemed unlawful having, handling, dealing and trafficking in same, No. 1072; an act to authorize the justices of the peace of the city of Danville to issue and try criminal warrants for offences committed within the limits of said city, notwithstanding the presence of the mayor, No. 1216; an act to amend and re-enact section 3089 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 18, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 112, 633, 674, 2533, 3045, 3053, 3090, 3091, 3455, 3492, 4048 and 4049 of an act entitled an act to revise and arrange and consolidate into a code the general statutes of the Commonwealth, approved May 16, 1897, No. 1222; and an act for the relief of W. F. Price, No. 1212.

In which amendments and bills they request the concurrence of the Senate.

No. 697, House bill to give aid to soldiers, sailors, and marines, disabled in the war between the States, and to every such soldier, sailor, or marine who by disease or other infirmities of age is disabled from earning or is without the means of procuring a support, and to the widows of Virginia soldiers, sailors, or marines, who lost their lives in said war in the military or naval service, or whose husbands have died since the war, with House amendment to Senate amendment, was taken up.

Mr. WICKHAM moved that the Senate refuse to concur in House amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. WICKHAM was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. BOAZ, who informed the Senate that that House refused to recede from its amendment to the Senate amendment to House bill 697, and asked a committee of conference.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS the chair appointed Messrs. WICKHAM and KEEZELL a committee on the part of the Senate.

No. 1199, House bill to amend and re-enact sections 3, 4, and 5 of an act of the General Assembly, approved February 23, 1888, entitled an act to incorporate the town of Blackstone, in Nottoway county, Virginia, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. MANN (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1197, House bill to repeal an act approved March 1, 1892, to regulate hunting in the county of Orange, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JEFFRIES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1072, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 17, 1890, as amended by an act approved February 12, 1892, to protect the owners of bottles, boxes, siphons, and kegs used in the sale of soda water, mineral, or aerated waters, porter, ale, milk, cream, small beer, white beer, weiss beer, lager beer, or other beverages, medicines and perfumery, and fix the punishment for the unlawful having, handling, using, trafficking in, or disposing of such bottles, boxes, siphons, and kegs, and to provide when and how a search-warrant may be issued to discover and obtain the same, and to declare and define what shall be deemed unlawful having, handling, dealing, and trafficking in same, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. FOSTER (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and rejected by the following vote—ayes, 9, noes, 17.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Donohoe, Foster, Hartley, Le Cato, Lyle, Maynard, Shands, St. Clair and Tyler—9.

NOES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Eggleston, Glass, Gold, Harvey, James, Jeffries, Lupton, Mann Massie, McIlwaine, Opie, Sands, Walker and Whitehead—17.

No. 1216, House bill to authorize the justices of the peace of the city of Danville to issue and try criminal warrants for offences committed within the corporate limits of said city notwithstanding the presence of the mayor, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. JAMES (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

No. 1222, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3089 of the Code of Virginia, and section 3090 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 18, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 112, 633, 674, 2533, 3045, 3053, 3090, 3091, 3455, 3492, 4048, and 4049 of an act entitled an act to revise and arrange and consolidate into a code the general statutes of the

commonwealth, approved May 16, 1897, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. HARVEY (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar.

Mr. LYLE offered an amendment, which was rejected; and on motion of Mr. HARVEY (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1212, House bill for the relief of W. F. Price, was taken up, twice read, and on motion of Mr. SANDS (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. BOAZ, who informed the Senate that that house had passed, with amendments,

No. 643, Senate bill for appropriating the public revenue for the fiscal years September 30, 1900, and September 30, 1901.

Mr. WICKHAM moved that the Senate refuse to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

Mr. WICKHAM was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. BOAZ, who informed the Senate that that house refused to recede from its amendments to Senate bill No. 643, and asked a committee of conference.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, the chair appointed Messrs. WICKHAM, KEEZELL and MORRIS a committee on the part of the Senate.

Mr. WICKHAM, from the committee on finance and banks, reported without amendment

No. 624, Senate bill to correct clerical errors in chapter 796, Acts 1897-'98, for the relief of C. E. Atwell.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

On motion of Mr. EGGLESTON, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the Governor by his Secretary, informing the Senate that he had signed House bill No. 553.

Mr. GLASS presented the following resolution:

Whereas, The Journal of the Senate shows that House bill No. 553 was not passed by this body in the manner prescribed by the constitution of the State, not having received twenty-one votes, and no record of the votes cast having been entered on the Journal, as required by law; therefore, be it

Resolved, That these facts be, and they are hereby directed to be spread upon the records of this body as indicating the disapproval of the Senate of the bill in question and to preserve a memorial of the facts of the case.

Which was agreed to by the following vote—ayes, 24; noes, 12. Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Fairfax, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, James, Keezell, Le Cato, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Munford, Shands, St. Clair, Steele, Walker, Wallace and Whitehead—24.

NOES—Messrs. Blakey, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Jeffries, Johnson, Lyle, Morris, Opie, Sands, Tyler and Wickham—12.

Mr. GLASS moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

Mr. JEFFRIES, from the committee on roads and internal navigation, reported without amendment

No. 1196, House bill to amend and re-enact section 7 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Falls Church, Fairfax and Manassas Railway Company," approved February 28, 1896, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 1 and 2 of an act approved February 28, 1898, entitled an act to incorporate the Falls Church, Fairfax and Manassas Railway Company.

The bill was subsequently taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. MANN, from the committee to examine the treasurer's office, made the following report:

MARCH 5, 1900.

To the Senate of Virginia:

Your committee appointed to examine into the condition of the office of the treasurer of Virginia, respectfully report that they have examined the books, papers, and system of book-keeping, and settlements in said office, and found everything in first-class condition.

The system of checks between the auditor's and treasurer's office is very complete, and the settlements between the offices insure the accuracy of the books of both offices, and is, in our judgment, almost perfect.

We desire to commend our treasurer and his clerks for the manner in which they have discharged their duties.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. MANN.

D. G. TYLER.

Mr. JEFFRIES, from the committee on library, made the following report:

To the General Assembly:

The joint committee of the House and Senate on the library would respectfully report that they have examined the books of accounts of the general librarian, and find the same properly and orderly kept and sustained by proper vouchers. They herewith append his report for two years ending January 1, 1900.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. JEFFRIES,

Chairman Senate Committee.

WM. R. DUKE,

Chairman House Committee.

To the Joint Library Committee:

As required by law I beg leave, respectfully, to submit herewith a report of receipts and expenditures on account of the library fund to January 1, 1900, and to request that a sub-committee be appointed to examine books in detail and their accompanying vouchers.

The most noteworthy additions to the library since the last report have been in the line of donations of portraits and of one particularly fine historical painting. Mr. C. W. Chapman presented his splendid oil painting of "Fort Sumpter during the Bombardment," painted by him during the siege of Charleston in 1864. Mr. Chapman is the author of sundry beautiful water colors—war scenes mostly now at the Confederate Museum in this city. The painting he has given the library apart from its historical associations, is considered a master piece by competent critics, and I do not hesitate to say constitutes the handsomest gift that has been made to the library during the present administration.

It is respectfully suggested that a resolution of thanks be officially extended him by the library committee. Col. John Mercer Patton, lately dead, presented a portrait of his eminent father John M. Patton, one of the most eminent lawyers of his time, representative in Congress from Virginia, and for a short period Governor of the commonwealth.

Miss Gay Robertson Fleming, of Washington, D. C., gave a portrait in oil of her grandfather, Judge John Robertson, of Virginia, member of Congress and author of "Virginia Oposuto."

At the instance of the Virginia Convention of 1861, he conveyed an invitation from that body to Gen. Robert E. Lee, then at Arlington, and escorted him to Richmond to wait upon the Convention in person. Mrs. Wm. J. Bodell, of Fortress Monroe, gave a portrait in oil of her father Judge Henry W. Thomas, one of the Circuit Judges of the State, and Lieutenant Governor for one term.

Mr. Travers Daniel presented an excellent crayon portrait of his father Hon. Raleigh T. Daniel, Attorney General.

Dr. Jessie Ewell, of Greene county, gave an enlarged photograph handsomely mounted of his distinguished kinsman, Gen. R. S. Ewell.

The State Agricultural Society had accumulated a number of portraits of gentlemen who had become distinguished in developing the Agricultural interests of the State of Virginia, some of the eminent also in other fields of usefulness.

When the society went into liquidation the portraits were placed in the custody of the library by Col. Wm. F. Wickham, president of the society, as the place where the public would have freest access to them, and where they would be seen by more people than if deposited anywhere else.

These are portraits of Fielding Lewis, of "Weyanoke," the protagonist of skilled agriculture in the State; of John Taylor, of Caroline, *nomen clarum et venerabile* in our history, long a representative of Virginia in the Senate of the United States, and distinguished alike as author, agriculturist, and statesman; of Edmund Ruffin, whose life was devoted to the development of agriculture in the south, and best remembered, perhaps, as the frer of the first shot at Fort Sumpter in 1861, when an effort was made to re-inforce it by the federal government; of General Philip St. George Cocke, distinguished as a friend of agriculture and education, who died with the rank of brigadier-general early in the war between the States; and of Col. W. T. Sutherland, well known to the members of the committee as a patriotic and public spirited citizen.

It ought to be said that these portraits, both as to the canvas and frames, suffered from much handling before they were put in the library, and are not in proper condition to be hung in the portrait gallery until restored by a competent artist.

The acting librarian had made an earnest but unsuccessful effort to secure a portrait of John Taylor before this one was obtained, and it is a matter for special congratulation that the State has at last become the custodian of a portrait of one of her most eminent citizens.

It is hoped that the committee will direct that a reasonable expenditure be made to put these portraits in condition to be exhibited in the portrait gallery.

Well wishers of the library have presented it with sundry relics of the late war with Spain, being specimens of the new munitions of war, and trophies from some of the Santiago. Mrs. Frank Rorschach, of Portsmouth, born Lawless, sent a large and very interesting collection of this kind.

In the matter of books, the most material purchase has been the splendid reproduction of the "Jesuit Relations," in the original texts faced by a scholarly translation in the opposite pages. This series will embrace about seventy-five volumes when completed, and constitutes the earliest historical accounts, contemporaneously written, of the settlement of the great northwest and the valley of

the Mississippi. The series of books is regarded by competent scholars as the most valuable contribution to the history of the country that has been published in many years.

A few volumes, mainly genealogy, have been presented to the Library, and duly acknowledged.

The purchases have not been so extensive as in former years, it being the aspiration of the librarian in charge to husband the income of the Library with a view to binding the large accumulation of valuable pamphlets not now available by the public because unbound, and also, and very especially, to make some safe disposition of the manuscript historical archives of the State of Colonial and Revolutionary dates, which cannot now be handled without peril to the documents. It is urgently recommended that a special appropriation be made to this end, for though many of the executive, none of the legislative documents have been published in the Calendar of State Papers, the originals ought by all means to be sacredly guarded and preserved. The autographs alone, in many cases, are of great pecuniary value, to say nothing of their historic interest. The purchases, however, have in the main kept pace with the line of books become standard, including standard fiction. No list of purchases is presented herewith because two lists are required to be kept—one of the bills for books purchased, which have to be audited by the joint committee on the library, the other the catalogue of the library itself. It would be merely cumbering this report to insert a duplicate copy therein.

The attendance upon the library and interest in the books is manifestly on the increase, as an inspection of the ledger will show.

The main feature of discouragement is that the greatest demand by far is for fiction, and for new rather than for standard fiction.

Graver and more substantial books are so little read that only the set purpose to keep the library fairly abreast with the progress induces the purchase of works of this character.

The acting librarian has been notified by the nephew of Captain R. E. Frayser of the bequest to the library of a set of bound volumes of an industrial and commercial journal published by Captain Frayser in his life time.

Attention is again respectfully called to the removal of the Houdon statue of Washington to the library building, until such time as the capitol shall be made fire-proof.

The preservation of that "priceless piece of marble" was one of the main inducements for erecting the fire-proof library building. The capitol has been on fire fourteen times since the war; the liability to fire has been greatly increased by the conversion of the old library room into so many committee rooms, heated by stoves; and in case of fire it would be impossible to remove the statue without great damage. The only counterpart to it, Canova's grand statue of the same illustrious person, was destroyed by fire along with the capitol of North Carolina some years ago. It would seem to amount quite to the dignity of a crime if Houdon's should share the same fate when a fire-proof building has been especially erected for its preservation.

A responsible firm has agreed to remove it for \$100, giving bond for \$10,000 that no harm happen to it.

I am again constrained to call attention to the fact that the library is still without a printed catalogue. The necessity for this adjunct is too apparent to require argument, and I respectfully urge the committee to authorize its preparation and publication in permanent form.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. LAWLESS,

Secretary of the Commonwealth and General Librarian.

LIBRARY FUND.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, 1898-1899.

Receipts.

Balance from last settlement	\$3,535 65
Sales	5,086 65
	<u>\$8,622 30</u>

Disbursements.

Insurance	\$ 136 75
Binding	105 85
Calendar	231 00
Expense	209 49
Subscription	229 90
Purchase	926 93
Commissions on sale and exchanges	565 86
Balance on hand per C. B	6,216 52
	<u>\$8,622 30</u>
Balance on hand, January 1, 1900	\$6,216 52

Mr. JEFFRIES, by leave, presented

No. 736, A bill to authorize the president of the Jefferson Hotel Company to appoint, with the approbation of the hustings court of Richmond, a police agent, who shall be authorized to act as conservator of the peace upon the premises of the said company; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

Mr. HARTLEY, by leave, presented

No. 737, A bill to protect game and birds in the counties of Greenville and Sussex, and to prohibit the sale of partridges, and to prescribe a penalty for the violation of this act; which, on his motion, was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar; and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 520, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3805 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the disturbances of religious worship, and how the same shall be punished.

Mr. BLAKNEY moved to discharge the committee for courts of justice from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 736, House bill to enlarge the powers of the Charlotte Williams Hospital.

Mr. SANDS moved to discharge the committee on finance and banks from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 727, House bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors, wine, cider, bitters, and malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, within two and one-half miles of White Hall, in the county of Buckingham.

On motion of Mr. SANDS the committee on county, city and town was discharged from further consideration of the bill.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 134, House bill to repeal section 219 of the Code of Virginia, edition of 1887.

On motion of Mr. MANN, the committee for courts of justice was discharged from the further consideration of the bill.

The bill was then taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PRIDDY, who informed the Senate that that house had passed, with amendments,

No. 224, Senate bill providing for the appointment of a State board of health, and of local boards of health, defining the duties and powers and compensation thereof, and of their members, officers and agents in connection with the preservation of public health, and prescribing penalties against witnesses failing to obey subpoenas issued by said State board of health, or any authorized member thereof, for refusing to testify or otherwise acting in contempt of said State board or its duly authorized members.

The bill, with House amendments, was taken up.

Mr. LE CATO moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 757, House bill to amend the charter of the Guarantee Building, Loan and Trust Company of Richmond, Virginia, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. EGGLESTON offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

Mr. SANDS was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 664, House bill to incorporate the Fire Insurance Salvage Corps of Richmond, was taken up.

Mr. TYLER moved to reconsider the vote, which was rejected.

No. 1220, House bill to amend and re-enact section 499 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the listing of dogs for taxation.

Mr. STEELE moved to reconsider, which was agreed to.

Mr. STEELE offered an amendment, which was agreed to, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. McILWAINE was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 1221, House bill to amend and re-enact section 3711 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 359 of Acts of Assembly, 1893-94, as further amended and re-enacted by chapter 118 Acts of Assembly, 1897-98, making dogs in the cities of Richmond, Manchester, Petersburg, Alexandria, Newport News, Norfolk, Bristol and Roanoke, and in the counties of Henrico, Pulaski, Dinwiddie, Surry, Prince George, Franklin, Warwick, Clarke, Warren, Prince Edward, Isle of Wight, Accomac, Hanover, Washington, Elizabeth City and York, and all dogs listed for taxation, personal property and subjects of petit larcency and trespass.

Mr. STEELE moved to reconsider, which was agreed to.

Mr. STEELE offered an amendment, which was agreed to, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. McILWAINE was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 318, House bill to amend and re-enact sub-section first of section 184, concerning the salary of members and officers of the General Assembly, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. CLAYTOR moved that the Senate adjourn to-day at 2:30 until 4:30 o'clock, which was agreed to.

The following Senate resolution was agreed to :

Resolved, That the clerk of the Senate be and he is hereby authorized and directed to draw his warrant in favor of A. NASH JOHNSON, Senator from the 7th Senatorial District of Virginia, for the full amount of the salary of the Senators to-wit: \$360 and mileage, less, however, such sum or sums as said A. NASH JOHNSON has heretofore been paid.

The hour of 2:30 o'clock having arrived, the chair was vacated until 4:30 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

MONDAY, March 5, 1900.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. CLARKE, who informed the Senate that that House had passed

No. 1191, House bill to relieve John Y. Harris, late treasurer of Dinwiddie county, and John Hargrave, D. H. Fisher and John W. Thrift his deputies, by allowing them further time to distrain and levy for certain taxes and levies in their hands.

The bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. SANDS, by leave, presented

No. 738, A bill to enable William M. Crumpler, Nansemond county, Virginia, to practice law upon due examination by the Court of Appeals; which, on his motion was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor) was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed, on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time and passed with its title.

And he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. BOAZ, who informed the Senate that that house had agreed to the report of the conference committee on

No. 643, Senate bill appropriating the public revenue for the two fiscal years ending, respectively, on September 30, 1900, and September 30, 1901.

The bill was taken up, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS, the conference report was adopted.

The conference committee respectively suggest the following action by the House of Delegates and Senate, respectively, upon the disagreeing votes on Senate bill No. 643.

1. House to recede from its amendment, page 2, line 37.
2. Page 3, lines 47 and 48—strike out \$3,200 and insert \$3,000.
3. Page 3, line 50—strike out \$750 and insert \$600.
4. Page 4, line 51—strike out \$1,000 and insert \$500.00.
5. Page 4, line 84—Senate to agree to House amendment.
6. Page 4, line 85—Senate to agree to House amendment.
7. Page 6, line 112—strike out \$2,400 and insert \$2,000.
8. Page 6, end of line 112—Senate to agree to House amendment.
9. Page 6, end of line 118—add independent section, as follows: "For the purposes of the commissioner of labor \$500, in addition to the sum allowed by statute."
10. Page 7, lines 149 and 150—House to recede from its amendment.
11. Page 9, line 189—strike out \$5,000 and insert \$1,000.
12. Pages 9 and 10—strike out line 190 to 204 inclusive, and insert "To pay pensions, \$135,000, to be expended under the provisions of the act passed by this General Assembly."
13. Page 10, line 209—Senate to agree to House amendment.
14. Page 12, line 250—Senate to agree to House amendment.
15. Page 13, line 270—Senate to agree to House amendment.
16. Page 13, line 272—Senate to agree to House amendment.
17. Page 13, line 287—House to recede from its amendment.
18. Page 14, line 294—Senate to agree to House amendment.
19. Page 14, line 301—House to recede from its amendment.
20. Page 15, line 325—House to recede from its amendment.
21. Page 15, line 336—strike out \$3,200 and insert \$3,000.

- 22. Page 16, line 339—strike out \$750 and insert \$600.
- 23. Page 17, line 366—Senate to agree to House amendment.
- 24. Page 17, line 367—Senate to agree to House amendment.
- 25. Page 17, line 368—Senate to agree to House amendment.
- 26. Page 18, line 395—strike out \$2,400 and insert \$2,000.
- 27. Page 18, end of line 395—Senate to agree to House amendment.
- 28. Page 18, end of line 401—add independent section, to read as follows:
"For the purposes of the commissioner of labor, \$500, in addition to the sum allowed by statute."
- 29. Page 20, line 435—House to recede from its amendment.
- 30. Page 21, lines 473 and 474—strike out \$5,000 and insert \$1,000.
- 31. Page 22—strike out lines 475 to 489 inclusive, and insert, "To pay pensions \$135,000, to be expended under the provisions of the act passed by this General Assembly."
- 32. Page 24, line 531—Senate to agree to House amendment.
- 33. Page 25, line 546—Senate to agree to House amendment.
- 34. Page 25, line 561—House to recede from its amendment.
- 35. Page 27, line 7—House to recede from its amendment.
- 36. Page 27, lines 9 and 10—House to recede from its amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

H. T. WICKHAM,
GEO. B. KEEZELL,
GEO. W. MORRIS,

On the part of the Senate.

WM. H. BOAZ,
W. B. ROWLES,
T. C. PILCHER,

On the part of the House of Delegates.

By the following vote—ayes, 23; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Donohoe, Eggleston, Glass, Hartley, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—23.

NOES—None.

And Mr. KEEZELL was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PARKS, who informed the Senate that that House had agreed to the report of the conference committee on

No. 697, House bill to give aid to soldiers, sailors, and marines disabled in the war between the States, and to every such soldier, sailor, or marine who by disease or other infirmities of age, is disabled from earning or is without the means of procuring a support, and to the widows of Virginia soldiers, sailors, or marines who lost their lives in said war in the military or naval service, or whose husbands have died since the war.

The bill was taken up, and on motion of Mr. MORRIS the conference report was adopted.

Conference committee propose following substitute for Senate amendment No. 1 to House bill 697, in line 1, section 15, strike out the word "sixty" and insert in lieu thereof the word "thirty-five."

R. S. PARKS,
J. W. CHURCHMAN,
W. B. F. LEECH,

On the part of the House of Delegates.

H. T. WICKHAM,
GEO. B. KEEZELL,
GEO. W. MORRIS,

On the part of Senate.

By the following vote—ayes, 25; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Donohoe, Eggleston, Hartley, Harvey, Johnson, Keezell, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Massie, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—25.

NOES—None.

Mr. KEEZELL was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 730, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 11, 1898, entitled an act to impose additional duties upon the examiner of records of the several judicial circuits, with reference to ships, tug-boats, barges, boats, or other water craft, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 23; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Donohoe, Eggleston, Foster, Gold, Hartley, Harvey, Jeffries, Keezell, Mann, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Opie, Sands, Shands, St. Clair, Tyler, Walker, Wallace and Wickham—23.

NOES—None.

No. 1063, House bill to incorporate the Rappahannock, Peninsula and Western Railroad Company.

Mr. TYLER moved to discharge the committee on roads and internal navigation from further consideration of the bill, which was rejected.

No. 15, House bill to amend and re-enact section 2048 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act of the General Assembly, approved February 26, 1896, so as to omit the words "except the county of Alleghany."

Mr. JOHNSON moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed.

No. 666, House bill to permit J. E. Payne, of Bath county, Vir-

ginia, to register as a pharmacist without examination, and to practice pharmacy within the county of Bath.

Mr. JOHNSON moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 667, House bill to give to the Bath County Telephone Company certain additional rights, as provided by sections 1287, 1288, and 1289 of the Code of Virginia, edition of 1887, and subject to the right of repeal as provided in section 1290 of said Code.

Mr. JOHNSON moved to discharge the committee on general laws from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 394, House bill to repeal an act entitled an act directing that the board of supervisors of Alleghany county shall apply the road fund in the several districts to the district from which the same is realized, approved March 3, 1898.

Mr. JOHNSON moved to discharge the committee on county, city and town from further consideration of the bill, which was agreed to.

The bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 615, House bill to create a department of insurance, to provide for the election of an insurance commissioner, and to prescribe his duties and powers, to provide revenue for the support of the government, to regulate fire and other insurance companies, and to prescribe penalties for violations of this act.

Mr. SANDS moved to discharge the committee on finance and banks from further consideration of the bill which was rejected.

No. 1066, House bill to authorize the board of directors of the Penitentiary to employ assistant clerks when needed or to apportion the clerical work of the Penitentiary among those now employed, and to apportion their compensation therefor, was taken up, read the third time.

Mr. EGGLESTON offered an amendment, which was agreed to, and passed with its title.

Mr. EGGLESTON was ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

No. 1072, House bill to amend and re-enact an act approved February 17, 1890, as amended by an act approved February 12, 1892, to protect the owners of bottles, boxes, siphons, and kegs used in the sale of soda water, mineral, or aerated waters, porter, ale, milk, cream, small beer, white beer, weiss beer, lager beer, or other beverages, medicines and perfumery, and fix the punishment for the unlawful having, handling, using, trafficking in, or disposing of such bottles, boxes, siphons, and kegs, and to provide

when and how a search-warrant may be issued to discover and obtain the same, and to declare and define what shall be deemed unlawful having, handling, dealing, and trafficking in same.

Mr. JEFFRIES moved to reconsider the vote, by which the bill was rejected, which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1044, House bill to amend and re-enact section 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 312, 313, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 313 of chapter 21 of the Code, in relation to the formation of battalions, regiments, brigades and divisions, approved March 3, 1894; 314, 317, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 317 of the Code of Virginia, in relation to the increase of the number of regimental staff officers, of the State militia, approved February 17, 1898; 318, 319, 320, 321, 323, 324, 338, 340, 357, 358, 359, 360, 365, 370, and 371 of chapter 21 of the Code of Virginia, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. CARDWELL, who informed the Senate that that House had passed with amendments

No. 331, Senate bill to amend and re-enact section 2136 of the Code of Virginia, as to right of owner to plant oysters in any creek, &c., within his survey.

Mr. KEEZELL moved that the Senate concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. OPIE the chair was vacated until nine o'clock to-night.

NIGHT SESSION.

MONDAY, March 5, 1900.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. McRAE who informed the Senate that that House had passed with a substitute

No. 523, Senate bill to provide for local assessments in cities and towns.

Mr. McILWAIN moved that the Senate concur in House substitute, which was agreed to.

Mr. GLASS, by leave, presented

No. 739, A bill to repeal an act entitled an act providing for the appointment of commissioners of valuation and defining their duties, approved March 5, 1900; which, on his motion was read the first, ordered to be read a second time, and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was placed on the calendar,

and on his further motion (the rules being suspended therefor), was read the second time, ordered to be engrossed, and read a third time; and being forthwith engrossed on his further motion (two-thirds concurring), was read the third time, and adopted by the following vote—ayes, 21, noes, 9.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Foster, Glass, Gold, Hartley, Keezell, Le Cato, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Munford, Shands, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—21.

NOES—Messrs. Eggleston, Flood, Jeffries, Johnson, Lyle, Morris, Opie, Sands and Tyler—9.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. BAKER, who informed the Senate that that House had passed

No. 1228, House bill to amend and re-enact section 606 of the Code of Virginia, in reference to the form of lists and oaths to be made by treasurers in returning lists of uncollected taxes and levies, as amended and re-enacted by act approved March 8, 1894.

On motion of Mr. EGGLESTON the bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

Mr. FLOOD arose to a question of personal privilege and stated if he had been present he would have voted against unanimous consent of bill to repeal House bill 558.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. EMBREY, who informed the Senate that that House had agreed to Senate amendment to House joint resolution in regard to adjournment.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. KELLEY, who informed the Senate that that House had passed House bill No. 1198.

The bill was taken up.

Mr. SANDS moved to suspend the rules and place the bill on the calendar, which was rejected.

The bill was then referred to the committee on general laws.

No. 634, House bill to authorize and regulate the erection and maintenance of wires for telephone, telegraph, electric railway, and other purposes over or across the works of any company chartered as a work of internal improvement, or over or across the wires of any telephone, telegraph, electric railway, or electric company, was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1063, House bill to incorporate the Rappahannock, Peninsula, and Western Railroad Company.

Mr. JEFFRIES moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate refused to discharge the committee on roads and internal navigation from further consideration of the bill, which was rejected.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr.

CARDWELL, informing the Senate that that House had passed Senate bill No. 628 with amendments, appropriating the sum of \$2,000 to the Prison Association of Virginia, and the sum of \$1,000 to the Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia, for the fiscal year 1900.

The bill was taken up.

Mr. WICKHAM moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. HUME, who informed the Senate that that House had passed with amendments

No. 597, Senate bill to repeal section 13 and to amend and re-enact sections 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8 of chapter 2 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property, and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the government and public free schools and to pay interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, as amended and re-enacted by an act approved March 4, 1896.

The bill was taken up.

Mr. LYLE moved to concur in House amendments, which was agreed to.

No. 1229, House bill to incorporate the Franklin County Telephone Company.

The bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1216, House bill to authorize the justice of the peace of the city of Danville to issue and try criminal warrants for offences committed within the corporate limits of said city, notwithstanding the presence of the mayor.

The bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. GARNETT, who informed the Senate that that House had passed House bills 1186, 1184, 1185, 1187.

No. 1184, House bill to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3 of an act to determine to whom title to the Falmouth Bridge in the county of Stafford shall be conveyed, approved February 28, 1898, the bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1186, House bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act to establish a ferry across the Rappahannock river at or near the town of Falmouth, approved February 28th, 1898, the bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

No. 1185, House bill to amend section 4 of an act approved February 20, 1886, entitled an act to determine to whom the title of the Falmouth Bridge in the county of Stafford shall be conveyed

and to confirm the purchase of the same and for other purposes, the bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PATTESON, who informed the Senate that the House had passed

No. 1068, House bill for the relief of the Mayo Bridge and Land Company from erroneous taxation for the years 1876 to 1899 inclusive, the bill was taken up, read the third time, and passed with its title by the following vote—ayes, 21 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Lupton, Lyle, Mann, Morris, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Wallace and Wickham—21.

NOES—None.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. SOUTHALL, who informed the Senate that that House had passed House bill No. 445.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. PARKS, who informed the Senate that that House had passed the following House bills: 800 to 1041 inclusive, 1069, 1083 to 1176 inclusive, 1188, 1189, 1193, 1203, 1211, 1214, 1215, 1217, 1218, 1219, 1223, 1224, 1225, 1226.

On motion of Mr. WICKHAM the rules were suspended, and the bills placed on the calendar ; the rules being further suspended the bills were read the third time, and passed with their titles :

No. 800, For the relief of Joseph Cooke, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 801, For the relief of James Skelton, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 802, For the relief of Joseph Trice, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 803, For the relief of James P. Gressitt, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 804, For the relief of W. T. Dixon, a blind Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 805, For the relief of Robert W. Stratton, a blind Confederate soldier, and to place him upon the pension roll—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 806, For the relief of Mrs. Clay Mays, widow of Clay Mays, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 807, For the relief of Alex. Goolsby, a wounded Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 808, For the relief of Mrs. James E. Wightman, the widow of a Confederate soldier—yeas, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 809, For the relief of Jesse T. Newland, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 810, For the relief of Joseph R. Miley, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 811, For the relief of George W. Funkhouser—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 812, For the relief of W. B. Kendell, a Confederate soldier of Rappahannock county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 813, For the relief of Leonard Partlow, a disabled Confederate soldier of Rappahannock county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 814, For the relief of Edward Dodson, a Confederate soldier of Rappahannock county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 815, To increase the pension of James Mahorney, a Confederate soldier of Rappahannock county, Virginia—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 816, For relief of Jacob H. Rinker—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 817, For relief of Mrs. Ann Hopkins, widow of William Hopkins, a deceased Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 818, For the relief of R. D. Hill, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 819, For the relief of Mrs. L. A. Green, the widow of a Confederate soldier of Nottoway county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 820, For the relief of Henry A. Hastings, J. B. Enroughty, disabled Confederate soldiers—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 821, For the relief of A. Knorr, a Confederate soldier of the late war between the States—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 822, For the relief of James Watkins Cook Walton, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 823, For the relief of Geo. T. Pleasants, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 824, For the relief of J. T. Pearman, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 825, For the relief of Susan Ann May, the widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 826, For the relief of Mrs. Quincy G. Dunn, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 827, For the relief of John W. Griffith, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 828, For the relief of Nannie R. McGregor, of Pittsylvania county, widow of William H. McGregor, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 829, For the relief of E. T. Brooks, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 830, For the relief of Charles L. Mitchell, an ex-Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 831, For the relief of John D. Wright, an ex-Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 832, For the relief of Daniel F. Dorton, a disabled Confederate soldier of Scott county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 833, For relief of Geo. H. Adams, a confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 834, For the relief of Thomas H. Savage, Accomac county, Virginia, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none!

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 835, For the relief of John B. Eskridge, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 836, For the relief of A. F. Frazier, a Confederate soldier of Washington county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 837, For the relief of Robert N. Hite, of Petersburg, Virginia—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 838, For relief of William B. Helton, a disabled Confederate soldier of Tazewell county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 839, For the relief of N. A. Green, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 840, For the relief of W. L. Driskell, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 841, For the relief of W. Riley Estes, a Confederate soldier of Halifax county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 842, For the relief of Rebecca Greiner, the widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 843, For the relief of J. N. Shaver, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 844, For the relief of Jacob Yearout, a private Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 846, For the relief of C. T. Furrow, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 847, For relief of Asa H. Graham, a Confederate soldier of Montgomery county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 848, For the relief of Fleming T. Whitt, an aged and infirm Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 849, For the relief of J. L. Wright, of Dinwiddie county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 850, For the relief of Armistead Talley, a Confederate soldier of Dinwiddie county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 851, For the relief of F. W. Wells, of Dinwiddie county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 852, For the relief of Charles C. Burks, a Confederate soldier of Rockbridge county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 853, For the relief of J. S. Parson, a Confederate soldier of Rockbridge county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 854, For the relief of C. A. Shaw, a Confederate soldier of Rockbridge county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 855, To put on the pension list the name of Wesley A. Cave, a wounded Confederate soldier of Rockingham county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 856, To put on the pension list the name of Peter W. Wheeler, a wounded Confederate soldier of Rockingham county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 857, For the relief of Thomas H. Harris, a disable Confederate soldier of Wythe county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 858, For the relief of James M. Snively, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 859, For the relief of Mistress T. E. Higgins—ayes, 30 : noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 860, For the relief of J. W. Jeams, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 861, For the relief of W. J. Barlow, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 862, For the relief of W. A. Donald, a Confederate soldier of Rockbridge—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 863, For the relief of the widow of Thomas W. Ingram, a deceased Confederate soldier who was disabled and afflicted—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 864, For the relief of the widow of Winchester W. Minter, a deceased Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 865, For the relief of Cornelius Bendall, a disabled Confederate soldier of Mathews county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 866, For the relief of Mrs. M. H. Chandler, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 867, For the relief of Sallie Forlines, widow of Hiram Forlines, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 868, For the relief of Mrs. Hardin Hodges—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 869, For the relief of Skelton Coleman—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 870, For the relief of Mrs. Abram Altic—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 871, For the relief of Isaiah Haynes—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 872, For the relief of Mrs. Isaac Parcell—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 873, For the relief of Jno. C. Mayhew—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 874, For the relief of L. T. Howell—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 875, For the relief of James Robertson—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 876, For the relief of C. T. Robertson—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 877, For the relief of Samuel Waldron—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 878, For the relief of Emily Thompson, widow of a deceased Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 879, For the relief of Willie Ann Durham, widow of a deceased Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 880, For the relief of Daniel L. Blair, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 881, For the relief of Elmira Elmore, widow of a deceased Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 882, For relief of C. P. Smith—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 883, For relief of Frederick Harvey Embrey—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 884, For the relief of Mattie Gordon, widow of Dallas P. Gordon, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 885, For the relief of Laferty Ball—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 886, For relief of Benjamin Harrison—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 887, For relief of Vincent Kerns—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 888, For relief of Henry C. Mason—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 889, For the relief of Harrison Hipes, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 890, For the relief of Joseph Stuhl, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 891, For the relief of Samuel Locket, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 892, For the relief of John E. Dillon, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 893, For the relief of Henry Bush, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 894, For the relief of Samuel Coffman, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 895, For the relief of Charles C. Cahoon, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 896, For the relief of Mistress Naoma Crawford—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 897, For the relief of John Hitt, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 898, For the relief of A. D. Walker, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 899, For the relief of J. T. Doggett, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 900, For the relief of Benjamin F. Creel, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 901, For relief of W. C. Dowdy, a wounded Confederate soldier of Culpeper county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 902, For relief of James E. Barret, a disabled Confederate soldier of Richmond county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 903, For the relief of Sarah J. Harris, the widow of a Confederate soldier of Richmond county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 904, For the relief of Sallie F. Marks, the widow of P. O. Marks, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 905, For the relief of S. M. Synan, a wounded Confederate soldier, by increase of pension—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 906, For the relief of Frederick W. Faulconer, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 907, For the relief of Ann Smith, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 908, For the relief of Garrett H. Amos, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 909, For the relief of W. B. Madison, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 910, For the relief of William S. Johnson, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 911, For the relief of Lucy Caroline Hudson, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 912, For the relief of F. M. Kirby, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 913, For the relief of John S. Cook, a crippled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 914, For the relief of Mary J. Norford, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 915, For the relief of Pamela Moon, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 916, For the relief of J. R. Garland, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 917, For the relief of Jas. P. Railey, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 918, For the relief of John Snead, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 919, For the relief of Antony Businger—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 920, For the relief of M. W. Wingfield, a wounded Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 921, For the relief of E. J. Kirby, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 922, For relief of Bernard B. Harris—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 923, For the relief of L. E. Estes, a wounded Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 924, For the relief of Margaret E. Morgan, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 925. For the relief of S. H. Coleman, Sr., a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 926, For the relief of Jetson Jett, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 927, For the relief of Edgar T. Mastin, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 928, For the relief of Eliza A. Tinder, a Confederate soldier's widow—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 929, For the relief of W. H. Beasley, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 930, For the relief of John E. Hester, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 931, For the relief of Harry Snow, a disabled Confederate soldier of Greene county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 932, For the relief of J. M. Taylor, a disabled Confederate soldier of Madison county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 933, For the relief of Samuel Morris, a disabled Confederate soldier of Greene county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 934, For the relief of Henry Cox, a disabled Confederate soldier of Greene county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 935, For the relief of James Austin, a disabled Confederate soldier of Greene county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 936, For the relief of Mrs. Margaret A. White, of Richmond, Virginia—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 937, For the relief of Mrs. Lucy St. Clair, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 938, For the relief of Mrs. Francis T. Carner, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 939, For the relief of John Q. Adams, a Confederate soldier of Pittsylvania county, Virginia—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 940, To Pension E. L. Marstin and Wm. G. Smith, disabled Confederate soldiers—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 941, For the relief of A. R. Bagby, Bennett Farrer, Elislo Cossoda, and Grief Newcomb, crippled Confederate soldiers—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 942, To pension J. D. Dickerson and W. T. Duffer, disabled Confederate soldiers—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 943, For the relief of W. F. Moore, an aged and disabled Confederate soldier of Lunenburg county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 944, For the relief of Mrs. Martha Jane Haury, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 945, For the relief of Van F. Clark and H. L. Bruer, Confederate soldiers of Lunenburg county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 946, For the relief of H. H. Nickols, a wounded Confederate soldier of Lunenburg county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 947, For the relief of F. A. W. Green, a Confederate soldier of Lunenburg county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 948, For the relief of Job Self, of Caroline county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 949, For the relief of A. J. Dunn, of Caroline county—
ayes, 29; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 950, For the relief of J. F. Covington, of Caroline county—
ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 951, For the relief of Robt. P. G. Shafer, a wounded Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 952, For relief of Mrs. Bettie Gouldman, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 953, For relief of Mrs. Sally Muse, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 954, For relief of Mrs. Almira Sorrell, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 955, For relief of Mrs. Louisa Dent, widow of Wm. Dent, of Company I, 47th Virginia volunteers, Confederate army—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 956, For relief of Mrs. Virginia Fritter, widow of John T. Fritter, of Cooper's Battery, Virginia volunteers, Confederate army—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 957, For the relief of Wm. C. Muse, of Westmoreland county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 958, For the relief of James Prilliman, a blind Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 959, For the relief of John M. Kendrick, of Henry county, a needy Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYE—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 960, For the relief of Alexander Woodall, a Confederate soldier of Henry county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 961, For the relief of E. B. Draper, of Henry county, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 962, For the relief of James R. Hailey, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 963, For the relief of Josiah Dodson, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 964, For the relief of Mrs. Lucy A. Walton, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 965, For relief of Benj. Whiteselle, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 966, For the relief of Florentine Kasy, the widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 967, For the relief of Joseph H. Hardy, a wounded Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 968, For the relief of Isaac Boyd, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 969, For the relief of Mattie Clark, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 970, For the relief of Martha Gilly, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 971, For the relief of W. D. Robertson, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 972, For the relief of Martin Payne, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 973, For the relief of Mary Harvey, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 974, For the relief of James G. Lester, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 975, For the relief of John W. Cook, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 976, For the relief of Hamilton Jennelle—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 977, For the relief of Thomas F. Trent, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Clayfor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 978, For the relief of Marcus W. Beale, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 979, For the relief of George W. Collins, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 980, For the relief of Middleton W. Koger, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 981, For the relief of J. W. Adams, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 982, For the relief of James M. Jones, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 983, For the relief of Mac Lee, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 984, For the relief of James R. Sullivan, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 985, For the relief of Robert S. Duerson, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 986, For relief of J. S. Cannon, of Spotsylvania county, Virginia, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 987, For the relief of Henry A. Anders, a Confederate soldier of Grayson county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 988, For the relief of C. C. Reedy, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 989, For the relief of David Taylor, a Confederate soldier—
ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 990, For the relief of J. L. Larue, a Confederate soldier—
ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 991, For the relief of Urias Crowder, a Confederate soldier of Dinwiddie county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 992, For the relief of Cannon Stewart, Confederate soldier of Dinwiddie county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 993, For the relief of T. R. Hitchcock, a disabled Confederate soldier of Dinwiddie county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 994, For the relief of T. W. Hawkins, a disabled Confederate soldier of Dinwiddie county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 995, For the relief of Gustina A. Grubbs, widow of Wm. W. Grubbs, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 996, For the relief of William Ingram, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 997, For relief of Samuel Mills, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 998, For the relief of Mrs. Mary B. Nannie, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 999, For the relief of Mrs Mary E. Boyd, of Floyd county, Virginia—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1000, For the relief of Parks Snead, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1001, For the relief of Mistress E. Whitlock, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1002, For the relief of W. A. Rader, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1003, For relief of R. P. Gold—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1004, For the relief of Isaac G. Cowan—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1005, For the relief of Levi Jordan Lester, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1006, For the relief of R. C. Omohundro, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1007, For the relief of David J. Marr, of Campbell county, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1008, For the relief of John D. Lewis, a disabled soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1009, For the relief of Mrs. Emma R. Guy, a widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1010, For the relief of Ann D. Hillsman, widow of William H. Hillsman, a deceased Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1011, For the relief of Vincen Kelly, an old Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1012, For the relief of James W. Woodward, an old Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1013, For the relief of Henry Gibbons, of Lee county, an old Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1014, For the relief of Samuel Frost, an old Confederate soldier of Lee county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1015, For the relief of Goolman Davidson, a Confederate soldier of Lee county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1016, For the relief of Jackson Shuffelbarger, an old Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1017, For the relief of Jabe Cox, an old Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1018, For the relief of A. J. Yearry, an old Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1019, For the relief of John H. Carbough, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1020, To place Linzy Yates on the pension list—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1021, For the relief of James B. Goode, a Confederate soldier of the city of Richmond—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1022, For the relief of John F. Perry—ayes, 30; noes none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Ople, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1023, For the relief of Solomon M. Mullins—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1024, For the relief of James McClanahan, and other Confederate soldiers—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1025, For the relief of John Creel, a Confederate soldier of Fauquier county, Virginia—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1026, For the relief of Mrs. Margaret Tuck, a widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1027, For the relief of W. G. Pierce, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1028, For the relief of J. D. Clay, a Confederate soldier of Halifax county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1029, For the relief of J. M. Comby, a Confederate soldier of Halifax county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1030, For the relief of Nancy A. Johnson, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

1031, For the relief of Emanuel Irola, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1032, For the relief of Peter Foster, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1033, For the relief of Mrs. N. R. Hicks, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1034, For the relief of William Durnil, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

1035. For the relief of Stanley Gallemore, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1036, For the relief of James P. Kennon, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1037, For the relief of Daniel S. Hughes, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1038, For the relief of James C. Wood, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1039, For the relief of William J. Pace, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1040, For the relief of J. P. Bartlett, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1041, For the relief of Giles Luger, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1069, For relief of Alexander Cornell, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1083, To place Washington O'Meara, of Loudoun county, on the pension list of the State—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1084, To place Charles J. Brown, of Loudoun county, on the pension list of the State—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1085, For the relief of Thomas B. Monroe, an ex-Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1086, For the relief of E. W. Beale, a Confederate veteran—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1087, For relief of Mrs Alzier Curtis, widow of John F. Curtis, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1088, For relief of Zebulon Clark, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1089, For relief of James Pritchett, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1090, For the relief of James White, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1091, For the relief of William Brown, a Confederate soldier of Rockingham county, Virginia—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1092, For the relief of James S. McMillan, a disabled Confederate soldier of Carroll county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1093, For relief of J. A. Wilson, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1094, To pension Mrs. E. A. Wallace, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1095, For the relief of John F. Gouldin, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1096, For the relief of Thomas Gilliam, an old Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1097, For the relief of Mrs. Sarah Cox, widow of James Cox, who lost his life while in the service of the Confederate States—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1098, Relief of Lucy Terry—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1099, For the relief of Mrs. M. J. Bell, widow of N. W. Bell, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1100, To pension Mrs. Margaret E. Jennings, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1101, For the relief of Mrs. Martha Ann Aliff—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1102, For relief of Hamilton Clatterbuck, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1103, For relief of P. H. Smith, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1104, For the relief of John W. Manly, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1105, For relief of Joseph Murrow, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1106, For relief of Thomas A. Duncan, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1107, For the relief of Lucy Robinson, the widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1108, For the relief of James Leftwich, a disabled soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1109, For the relief of Mrs. Elizabeth L. Winfree, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1110, For the relief of David H. Bowens, an old Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1111, For the relief of Mrs. A. M. Endoiley and Mrs. M. Donohoe, widows of Confederate soldiers—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1112, For the relief of Robert L. Taylor, of Caroline county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1113, For the relief of E. F. Smith, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1114, For the relief of Robert A. Cheatham, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1115, For the relief of Smith P. Tweedy, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1116, For relief of Mrs. Mattie Wood, a widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1117, For the relief of George Dodd, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1118, For relief of S. M. Hobson, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1119, For the relief of Westley Diggs, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1120, For the relief of James Andrew Davis, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1121, For the relief of Edward Via, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1122, For the relief of Mrs. Francis A. Hix, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1123, To pension Isaiah Cole—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1124, For the relief of the widow of an old Confederate soldier, Minervia Burchett, wife of Samuel Burchett—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1125, For the relief of Thomas O. Spradlin, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1126, For the relief of John C. Martin, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1127, For the relief of William H. Woolfolk, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1128, For the relief of John G. Fielder, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1129, For the relief of Sarah J. Miller, a widow of deceased Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1130, For the relief of William B. Cundiff, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1131, For the relief of Henry B. Cheek, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1132, For the relief of R. D. Hicks, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1133, For the relief of S. J. Maupin, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1134, For the relief of R. M. Garrett, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1135, For relief of James E. Brown a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1136, For the relief of Joseph Galloway, of Lee county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1137, For the relief of John Barns, an old Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1138, For the relief of J. F. Huddleston, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1139, For the relief of Joseph Dooley, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1140, For the relief of Edward P. Holdren, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1141, For the relief of M. A. Beazley, of Caroline county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1142, For the relief of Sallie Stevenson, widow of Captain Charles E. Stevenson, deceased, late Captain of Company "A," Sixteenth Regiment, Virginia Cavalry—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1143, For the relief of Albert Hogwood, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1144, For the relief of S. N. Willis, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1145, For the relief of George Marshall, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1146, For the relief of John T. Kidd, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1147, For the relief of Joseph R. Herndon, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1148, For the relief of Jessee Burton, an old Confederate soldier of Lee county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1149, For the relief of J. W. Davault, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1150, For the relief of R. A. Woodward, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1151, For the relief of Sarah J. Loftis, widow of William A. Loftis, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1152, For the relief of C. W. Hughes, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1153, For relief of Robert C. St. John, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1154, For the relief of Mrs. Eliza Quillen, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1155, For relief of K. B. Funk, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1156, For the relief of Charles W. Shumaker, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1157, For the relief of Frank Bridges, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1158, For the relief of John Childress—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1159, For the relief of W. J. J. Thrift, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1160, For the relief of Hodges Shackelford, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1161, For the relief of R. H. Lewis, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1162, For the relief of Wm. J. Hunley, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1163, To relieve Mr. Willis Cash, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1164, To relieve John W. Lawman, a wounded Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1165, To relieve Mrs. Jake Woodall, the widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1166, For the relief of J. R. Dixon, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1167, For the relief of W. L. Foster, of Campbell county, a wounded ex-Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1168, In relation to bill "For the relief of S. J. Miller, widow of a Confederate soldier" of Bedford county—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1169, For the relief of George W. Davis, an aged Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1170, For the relief of Samuel Robinson—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1171, For relief of R. S. Giles, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1172, For the relief of W. T. Spencer, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1173, For relief of Bluford Seay—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1174, For the relief of Jacob J. Hager, of Bland county—
ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1175, For the relief of Mattie H. Martin, widow of a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1176, For the relief of Thomas Wright, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1188, For the relief of Thomas M. Ellet, an old and needy Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1189, For the relief of Branch O. Leath, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are:

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1193, For the relief of B. H. Hester, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1203, For the relief of Mason Preist, a Confederate soldier of Rappahannock county—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1211, For the relief of William Haislipp, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1214, For the relief of James E. Pollard, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1215, For the relief of Mrs. Lucy F. Evans and Mrs. Locke, widows of Confederate soldiers—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1217, For the relief of Nathaniel D. Wheeler, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1218, For the relief of H. T. Bennett—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1219, For the relief of Stephen Thomason, a Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1223, For the relief of Thomas Coleman, a wounded and needy Confederate soldier—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1224, For the relief of S. H. Minter, J. H. Gilbert, J. N. Walker, and James L. Ingram, wounded and needy Confederate soldiers—ayes, 30; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1225, For the relief of John W. Hicks, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

No. 1226, For the relief of John H. Campbell, a disabled Confederate soldier—ayes, 30 ; noes, none.

Senators who voted are :

AYES—Messrs. Barksdale, Blakey, Claytor, Cogbill, Dinwiddie, Donohoe, Eggleston, Flood, Foster, Glass, Hartley, Jeffries, Johnson, Keezell, Le Cato, Lupton, Mann, Massie, Maynard, McIlwaine, Morris, Munford, Opie, Sands, Shands, Tyler, Walker, Wallace, Whitehead and Wickham—30.

NOES—None.

Mr. FLOOD from the committee on privileges and elections, reported the following :

Joint resolution appointing the electoral boards of the counties and cities of the State of Virginia.

Mr. FLOOD offered the following :

Resolved, That the counties of Lancaster, York and Warwick, be stricken from the joint resolution naming electoral board for the counties and cities of the commonwealth, which was agreed to.

The joint resolution was then taken up as amended and agreed to, and Mr. FLOOD ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

The following are the appointments :

Accomac—James W. Broughton, Thomas W. Blackstone, and Robert L. Hopkins.

Albemarle—T. E. Powers, J. N. Farris, and D. L. Smith.

Alexandria—R. A. Hipkins, Courtland H. Smith and Andrew B. Graham.

Alleghany—L. T. Dickey, W. F. Tinsley, and John T. Delaney.

Amelia—John J. Allen, Benjamin J. Grigg, and J. M. Hillman.

Amherst—Joseph H. Massie, T. C. Payne, and W. E. Sandidge.

Appomattox—S. L. Ferguson, S. C. Stratton, and P. M. Hannah.

Augusta—J. Marshall McClure, E. McK. McCue, and S. M. Donald.

- Bath—S. W. Anderson, Robert Wilkinsin, and J. T. McAllister.
Bedford—William P. Burks, E. M. Pollard, and D. W. Garrett.
Bland—A. I. Newberry, W. S. Fogleson, and Charles Stowers.
Botetourt—Clay Breckinridge, W. B. Bowyer, and H. A. Latane.
Brunswick—William Short, R. E. Haskins, and P. R. Bostick.
Buchanan—W. P. McGlothlin, Thompson Belcher, and William B. McNeal.
Buckingham—F. C. Moon, Lewis Williams, and M. L. A. Mosely.
Campbell—David Walker, L. C. Hadin, and W. L. Williams.
Caroline—R. O. Peatross, W. A. Woolfolk, and J. Campbell Chandler.
Carroll—J. W. Simones, O. R. Robinson, and R. E. Cox.
Charles City—L. A. Marston, James E. Hubbard, and Graham Walker.
Charlotte—J. C. Watkins, S. C. Daniel, and W. G. Williams.
Chesterfield—W. A. Blankinship, T. J. Cheatham, and Selwyn Hancock.
Clarke—J. J. Riley, W. T. Milton, and F. B. Whiting.
Craig—James W. Marshall, Jr., Joseph Gevins, and William H. Lugar.
Culpeper—S. W. Thompson, Walter Yager, and G. A. Utterback.
Cumberland—Hendrick Woodson, C. R. Sanderson, and Cary Smith.
Dickenson—G. W. Sutherland, George W. Branham, and Charles W. Jackson.
Dinwiddie—John P. Atkerson, S. D. Allen, and Charles I. Brown.
Elizabeth City—Dr. Frank Shield, T. H. Paramore, and E. M. Tennis.
Essex—John M. Terrill, B. B. Brockenbrough, and R. Peel Dillard.
Fairfax—James P. Machen, Robert E. Lee, Jr., and Benjamin F. Johnson.
Fauquier—A. Fletcher, Howson Hove, and Robert Murry.
Floyd—R. O. Harvey, John T. West, and Brown G. Harvey.
Fluvanna—Henry W. Sadler, Charles J. Perkins, and William A. Jones.
Franklin—W. A. Belcher, Tazewell Helms, and John P. Dudley.
Frederick—Julian Baker, J. L. Simpson, and Jonah Tavenner.
Giles—James Hale, James A. Bane, and H. L. Phleger.
Gloucester—Harry C. Bland, A. M. Pointer, and William Diggs.
Grayson—Houston Collins, T. L. Gwynn, and C. E. Bryant.
Greene—N. B. Chapman, George W. Davis, and A. W. Moyers.

Greensville—S. D. Goodwin, Henry Machin, and Charles Baker.

Goochland—W. Miller Holman, John W. Randolph, and H. W. Rutherford.

Halifax—W. B. Wilkins, W. L. Wimbish, and B. L. McCrow.

Hanover—E. L. C. Scott, R. R. Horne, and A. B. Hall.

Henrico—F. B. Taylor, Hugh L. Davis, and T. L. Machin.

Henry—W. B. Eanes, Dan Fry, and J. H. Trent.

Highland—L. H. Stephenson, S. A. Porter, and H. H. Jones.

Isle of Wight—C. F. Day, E. W. Wilson, and Mills R. Minton.

James City—S. S. Hankins, John A. Barnes, and H. T. Armistead.

King and Queen—William Dew, J. L. Oliver, and Miles E. Didlake.

King George—J. N. Peed, J. T. Minor, Jr., and James W. Dishman.

King William—Henry Bell, B. Todd Lipscomb, and Thomas F. Cocke.

Lee—H. C. T. Richmond, A. M. Goins, and Robert E. Litton.

Loudoun—John F. Shryock, Joseph L. Norris, and Edgar McCray.

Louisa—P. P. May, N. T. Garth, and D. R. Shelton.

Luneburg—John H. Wall, H. K. Bagley, and George E. Smith.

Madison—Dr. C. O. Sims, Dr. E. W. Twyman and W. S. Taylor.

Mathews—George W. Burroughs, Thomas P. Diggs, and R. Frank Landon.

Mecklenburg—Thomas H. Owen, D. H. Jones, and Ben. T. Wartman.

Middlesex—Robert Heley, Charles H. Bray, and William S. Christian.

Montgomery—George W. Walters, George I. White, and Crocket Price.

Nansemond—Dr. T. H. Barnes, J. U. Burgess, and L. A. Deans.

Nelson—John Horsley, J. H. Quinn, and S. B. Whitehead.

New Kent—G. M. McCann, N. C. Talley, and E. B. Goddin.

Norfolk—E. F. Cromwell, R. L. Miller, and T. W. Butt.

Northampton—G. Fred. Floyd, James B. Bell, and A. Brockenborough.

Northumberland—W. R. Clayton, John D. Luttrell, and John E. Hardin.

Nottoway—Samuel Hurt, R. F. Dillard, and S. G. Williams.

Orange—R. N. Robinson, E. F. Gholson, and Bertrelle Woodfolk.

Page—J. Y. Brown, S. A. Walton, and F. S. Kibler.

Patrick—John A. Adams, George L. Allen, and John C. Stanley.

Pittsylvania—Walter Coles, Jr., George W. Ramsey, and W. M. Cardwell, Jr.

Powhatan—William W. Kennon, W. W. Palmore, and A. M. Howard.

Prince Edward—Thomas Bruce, James A. Spencer, and Samuel Harris.

Prince George—James Wood, I. P. Burroughs, and W. H. Taylor.

Prince William—Joseph B. Reid, R. W. Merchant, and S. R. Lowe.

Princess Anne—A. T. Herbert, W. W. Cason, and Charles Moore.

Pulaski—Joseph Graham, Jr., Charles H. Harman, and R. C. Booth.

Rappahannock—William T. Yancey, F. L. Slaughter, and H. A. Wood.

Richmond—F. M. Hutchinson, W. Y. Morgan, and John M. Lyell.

Roanoke—Eugene Bush, T. H. Roberts, and Luther D. Bell.

Rockbridge—R. Grigsby Paxton, A. D. Estill, and Charles Lindsay.

Rockingham—John A. Herring, George R. Eastham, and P. W. Pugh.

Russell—W. N. Hendricks, R. S. Meade, and W. J. Kindrick.

Scott—Wingfield W. Flanary, C. M. Minnick, and J. C. Coley.

Shenandoah—A. C. Stickly, S. P. Fogle, and M. A. Price.

Smyth—H. B. Hull, M. D. Houston, and James Clark.

Southampton—F. P. Pully, L. R. Edwards, and G. O. Sledge.

Spotsylvania—E. H. DeJarnette, W. G. Hicks, and B. F. Andrews.

Stafford—Powhatan Moncure, Edgar Randall, and D. M. Lee.

Surry—S. B. Barham, H. C. Lands, and Andrew Rives.

Sussex—Wynn Crawford, G. O. Wrenn, and M. L. Birdsong.

Tazewell—Thomas A. Lynch, Chapman H. Peery, and Charles P. Greever.

Warren—I. N. Jennings, C. W. Carson, and J. L. Melton.

Washington—J. B. Hamilton, C. C. Sutton, and S. H. Rodgers.

Westmoreland—W. E. Battaile, C. C. Baker, and G. Vansant.

Wise—W. B. Fulton, J. D. Clay, and J. W. Kelley.

Wythe—Frank H. Terry, R. Landreth, and Thomas Blair.

The City Boards.

Alexandria—T. Alton Moore, E. E. Lawler, and W. J. B. Duncan.

Danville—J. G. Friend, W. R. Guerrant, and W. P. Tyree.

Fredericksburg—St. George R. Fitzhugh, W. D. Scott, and E. D. Cole.

Buena Vista—J. P. McCluer, John T. McKee, and D. H. Rucker.

Lynchburg—J. L. Lee, John S. Glass, and F. J. Doherty.

Manchester—B. M. Robertson, Joseph E. Davidson, and J. L. Owens.

Norfolk—Andrew Jackson Dalton, Napoleon Bonaparte Joynes, and Jefferson Davis Hofhelmer.

Petersburg—John B. Evans, N. T. Blick, and W. H. Talley.

Portsmouth—C. C. Walker, M. L. Hunt, and R. L. Hutchins.

Richmond—James E. McKinney, Wirt E. Taylor, and Charles L. Brown.

Radford—R. J. Noell, J. F. B. Cassell, and J. Rosenfeld.

Staunton—George W. Blackley, J. H. Worthington, Hugh H. Kerr.

Williamsburg—H. B. Smith, Robert G. Barlow, and I. H. Topham.

Roanoke City—C. I. Lunsford, Jr., P. J. Greely, and Harry Myers.

Winchester—James M. Haymaker, E. G. Hollis, and Joseph M. Lupton.

Charlottesville—W. R. Burnley, J. B. Andrews, and Louis F. Hanckel.

Bristol—J. H. Gose, E. S. Kendrick, and W. Reiley Stone.

Newport News—J. R. Bagby, Irwin Tucker, and William Penn.

On motion of Mr. CLAYTOR, the Senate adjourned until 12 o'clock to-morrow.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

Mr. MORRIS presented the following report of the sub-committee appointed to visit the University of Virginia :

To the General Assembly of Virginia :

GENTLEMEN,—The sub-committee appointed to visit the University of Virginia, begs leave to report as follows :

We reached Charlottesville on the 6th of February, and went immediately to the University to make our inspection. We were welcomed very cordially by Dr. Paul B. Barringer, chairman of the faculty, who was willing to lend us all the assistance in his power to enable us to make a report on the condition of the institution.

The Rotunda.

The Rotunda was naturally the first building to attract our attention as the chairman's office is situated in one of the wings. This new rotunda has been completed for over a year and is erected on the same foundation of the old rotunda which was destroyed by fire in the autumn of 1895. It presents a most pleasing appearance as it lifts its dome far over the tops of the surrounding trees and extends its spacious entrances to all sides. In the basement will be found the offices of the officials of the institution as well as the law lecture room and Y. M. C. A. hall, which are entirely convenient for their respective purposes and well heated by a large furnace which is at the other end of the lawn. In the rotunda proper is the library, which is exclusively adapted to works of art, the library and as a repository of numerous old manuscripts, which have come into the possession of the University, from time to time. The ceiling of this beautiful rotunda is frescoed elaborately to represent the firmament, and the effect is very striking to stand in the middle of the hall surrounded by thousands of valuable volumes and over all, this beautiful canopy frescoed in the highest perfection of the art.

The Dormitories.

The dormitories are those which were designed and built by Thomas Jefferson, and which run along both sides of the lawn and east and west range. They are the same substantial brick rooms as they were when built and afford every comfort to the student that could be desired.

The Randall building, another dormitory which has only recently been constructed, was donated to the University by Mrs. William Randall, of Boston. This is a very handsome brick building with large comfortable rooms well heated, with perfect sanitation and lighted by electricity. It is situated at the southern extremity of east range and is a great relief to the overcrowded condition of the other dormitories. With the other dormitories which are situated on Dawson's Row and Carr's Hill we were as equally well pleased and found them well in keeping with their surroundings.

The Academic Buildings and Public Hall.

At the southern end of the lawn are situated the Academic buildings, which after the destruction to the annex to the rotunda were built at the foot of the lawn. The chief and central one of these buildings, which directly faces the rotunda, contains in its middle portion on the first floor an amphitheatrical public hall capable of seating fifteen hundred people, and large and spacious in all respects, while in its wings with other numerous and capacious lecture rooms are domiciled most of the academic schools. Above the portico of this building which is supported by Ionic columns is written in Greek as a motto of the University, "You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free," which is interpreted by allegorical figures in the tympanum above it. On the eastern side of this central building is the Rouss Physical Laboratory and on the western side is the mechanical laboratory, both adequately supplied with all the necessary appliances needed for instruction in these departments. All of these buildings are architecturally in harmony both in frame and detail with the other edifices on the lawn, and they all complete at its southern end a quadrangle which is worthy of the majestic and time-honored rotunda.

The Gymnasium.

The Fayerweather Gymnasium also attracted our especial attention. This is a handsome and commodious structure on classical lines situated on the eastern slope of Carr's Hill overlooking the athletic campus. The first floor contains a spacious exercise hall equipped with the best and most approved developing appliances, and the basement floor is concrete throughout and contains baths which are up to date in every respect.

Your committee desires to report that it was very much pleased with everything that came under its observation at the University, and it was especially

pleased with the architectural effect of the new buildings. They are all strikingly handsome and we believe are destined to add further greatness to this already time-honored institution.

Respectfully submitted,

T. L. TATE, *Acting Chairman.*

On motion of Mr. WICKHAM, the Senate adjourned until tomorrow at 12 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Journal of yesterday read by the clerk.

A communication from the House of Delegates by their clerk was read as follows :

In House of Delegates, March 5, 1900.

The House of Delegates has refused to pass Senate bill entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 95 of the Code of Virginia relating to the appointment of county surveyor and superintendents of the poor as to the county of Tazewell, No. 247, over the objections of the Governor.

They have passed Senate bills entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 90 and 93 of an act approved March 6, 1890, entitled an act to provide for the assessment of taxes on persons, property and incomes, and on licenses to transact business, and imposing taxes thereon for the support of the Government and public free schools, and to pay the interest on the public debt, and prescribing the mode of obtaining licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof, in cases where a court certificate is required, No. 160; an act authorizing cities and towns to make city and town levies, No. 522; an act to provide for the settlement with West Virginia of the proportion of the public debt of the original State of Virginia properly to be borne by West Virginia, and for the due protection of the commonwealth of Virginia in the premises, No. 247; an act to amend sections 5, 6, and 7 of the charter of the Piedmont Lumber and Warehouse Company, approved February 10, 1900, No. 722; an act to amend and re-enact the 9th section of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Mineral Development Company, approved May 23, 1887, as amended by an act approved March 4, 1890, No. 708; an act authorizing and directing the entry of satisfaction on the judgment lien docket of Wise county of a certain judgment in favor of the commonwealth

against Ira Gilliam, late sheriff of Wise county, and the sureties on his official bond as such sheriff, No. 572; an act for the relief of W. R. Coulbourne of the city of Roanoke, No. 377; an act for the relief of W. W. Wood, No. 477; an act to amend and re-enact section 5 of an act entitled an act to incorporate the Walkerton and Mattaponi Bridge Company, approved February 24, 1898, No. 551; an act to amend and re-enact sections 3195 and 3196 of the Code of Virginia in reference to disbarring attorneys-at-law, No. 36; an act to prohibit the sale of intoxicating liquors within one mile of the property commonly known as Watkins mill in the county of Greenville, No. 608; an act for the relief of Mrs. Lucy E. Yancey, No. 637; an act for the relief of James A. Armistead, No. 651; an act relating to partridges in Norfolk county, No. 672; an act relating to district school number 5, Norfolk county, No. 673; an act in relation to roads in Norfolk county abandoned by turnpike companies, No. 676; an act for the relief of James I. Noell of the city of Radford, No. 378; an act to incorporate the Virginia State Horticultural society and to define its powers and duties, No. 405; an act to authorize clerks to enter record on delinquent land book when lands are redeemed from purchasers, No. 699; an act for the relief of Mrs. Lucy F. Yancy, No. 637; an act for the relief of Johnson and Early, assignees of Richard Beasley, No. 694; an act for the relief of Johnson and Early, assignees of C. M. Edwards, No. 693; an act for the relief of Johnston and Early, assignees of George Dalton, No. 688; an act for the relief of Johnson and Early, assignees of Gordon S. Agle, No. 689; an act for the relief of Johnson and Early, assignees of Mary McGee, No. 691; an act for the relief of S. G. Robinson and Company, assignees of Thomas Bryant, No. 690; an act for the relief S. G. Robinson and Company, assignees of M. C. Stoneman, No. 692; an act for the relief of Johnson, and Early, assignees of Mary Crockett, No. 681; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to define and prescribe the effect as evidence of deeds conveying property heretofore or hereafter sold under deed of trust or mortgage, or under any judicial proceedings, approved February 10, 1898, No. 706; an act to ratify and confirm the action of the city council of Alexandria under authority of which Washington Southern Railway Company maintains and operates its tracts as now constructed in Henry, Fayette, and St. Asaph streets, in the city of Alexandria, No. 723; an act to validate acknowledgment of deeds of trust taken by clerks of county courts who were trustees in said deeds, No. 629; an act creating a special board for Buckingham county and defining its duties, No. 727; an act declaring Birch creek in Halifax county to be a highway, No. 640; an act to authorize and empower the county and corporation courts of the commonwealth, or the judge thereof in vacation, to suspend any treasurer of any county or city whenever it shall appear from the report of the auditor of public accounts, the board of supervisors, or otherwise,

that said treasurer, clerk, or other officer has failed to make settlement or pay over the amount found by such auditor, board of supervisors, &c., to be due from such treasurer, clerk, or other officer, as the law directs; and to authorize and empower said court, or the judge thereof in vacation, to appoint some person to discharge the duties of such treasurer, clerk, or other officer until settlement and payment aforesaid is made, No. 499; an act to authorize the President of the Jefferson Hotel Company to appoint with the approbation of the Hustings Court of Richmond, a police agent who shall be authorized to act as conservator of the peace upon the premises of the said Company, No. 736; an act to protect game and birds in the counties of Greenville and Sussex and to prohibit the sale of partridges, and to prescribe a penalty for the violation of the act, No. 737; an act to enable William M. Crumpler, of Nansemond county, Virginia, to practice law upon due examination by the Court of Appeals, No. 738; an act for the relief of Charles S. Snider, late deputy sheriff of Smyth county, No. 338; an act authorizing the board of supervisors of Goochland county to increase the salary of the county judge, No. 729; an act to provide payment out of the public treasury to Stafford county of the amount of criminal expenses erroneously paid by said county, No. 621; an act to repeal section 1043 of the Code of Virginia as amended and so forth, No. 521; an act for the relief of Warren S. Sholes from the payment of a fine imposed by the corporation court of the city of Lynchburg, No. 728; an act to amend and re-enact an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, entitled an act to regulate the granting of licenses to sell wine, ardent spirits, malt liquors, or any mixture thereof in the town of Blackstone, Nottoway county, Va., or in two miles thereof, No. 718; an act to amend and re-enact section 651 of the Code of Virginia, No. 698; an act to incorporate the West Norfolk Telephone and Telegraph Company, No. 587; an act for the relief of G. T. W. Kern, of Bedford City, Virginia, No. 593; an act creating a special board for Buckingham county and defining its duties, No. 727; an act for the relief of William P. Jesse, an ex-Confederate soldier, No. 75; an act for the relief of M. Robertson, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 395; an act for the relief of J. W. Sutphin, a Confederate soldier, No. 141; an act for the relief of David W. Quarles, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 167; an act for the relief of Mrs. W. W. Smith, of Danville, Virginia, the widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 104; an act for the relief of W. L. Savage, a Confederate soldier, No. 563; an act for the relief of S. A. Deakins, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 394; an act for the relief of William H. Wood, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 148; an act for the relief of George W. Collins, of Henry county, a Confederate soldier, No. 43; an act for the relief of David M. Rife, an ex-Confederate soldier, No. 51; an act for the relief of Bettie O. Bloxton, widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 156; an act for the relief of

Isaac P. Louthen, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 47; an act for the relief of Sarah A. Pary, widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 113; an act for the relief of Henry C. Cheek, an ex-Confederate soldier, No. 168; an act for the relief of W. B. Megginson, a Confederate soldier, No. 70; an act for the relief of James A. Lawhorn, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 268; an act for the relief of Marcus W. Beal, a Confederate soldier, No. 63; an act for the relief of Josiah Dodson, a Confederate soldier, No. 73; an act for the relief of Meddleton W. Coger, a Confederate soldier, No. 74; an act for the relief Louisa J. Barron, widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 323; an act for the relief of H. H. Biggs, an ex-Confederate soldier, No. 76; an act for the relief of J. N. Luck, a Confederate soldier, No. 645; an act to correct clerical errors in chapter 796, Acts 1897-98, for relief of C. E. Atwell, No. 624; an act for the relief of Mary F. Byrd, widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 714; an act for the relief of W. H. Prease, an ex-Confederate soldier, No. 50; an act for the relief of A. H. Fawlkner, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 423; an act for the relief of George T. Campbell, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 378; an act for the relief of Mrs. Susan E. Cheatham, of Appomattox county, No. 382; an act for the relief of Daniel Yeatts, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 387; an act for the relief of Dabney Abbott, an ex-Confederate soldier, No. 119; an act for the relief Joseph E. Mozengo, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 107; an act for the relief of Robert Penick, a Confederate soldier, No. 383; an act for the relief of Wesley Heflin, an ex-Confederate soldier, No. 649; an act for the relief of William R. Watson, J. D. Hankin, C. H. Childress, disabled Confederate soldiers, No. 495; an act for the relief of R. L. Taylor, a Confederate veteran, No. 658; an act for the relief of John Zigler, a Confederate soldier of Patrick county, No. 238; an act for the relief of Henry E. Barksdale, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 422; an act for the relief of R. T. Tucker, of Appomattox county, No. 424; an act for the relief of William Bowling, a disabled Confederate soldier of Patrick county, No. 239; an act for the relief of Grief C. Chumney, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 310; an act for the relief of George A. King, a Confederate soldier of Floyd county, No. 328; an act for the relief of Stephen Thomasson, a Confederate soldier, No. 44; an act for the relief of Richard T. Vaugh, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 144; an act for the relief of Thomas H. Durham, a needy Confederate soldier, No. 177; an act for the relief of William H. Hite, a disabled Confederate soldier of Nelson county, No. 619; an act for the relief of J. T. Bragg, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 719; an act for the relief Susan Heflin, widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 712; an act for the relief of Mary English, widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 713; an act for the relief of G. W. Pearce, a Confederate soldier of Halifax county, No. 642; an act for the relief of A. R. Payne, a disabled Confederate soldier, No.

594; an act for the relief of Robert A. Doyle, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 579; an act for the relief of William A. Wingfield, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 618; an act for the relief of James E. Bullock, a Confederate soldier, No. 732; an act for the relief of Martha Britzendine, widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 436; an act for the relief of Joseph Galloway, of Lee county, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 401; an act for the relief of Mildred A. Lewis, of Appomattox, No. 419; an act for the relief of Robert H. Gaines, a Confederate soldier, No. 365; an act for the relief of J. A. Painter, a disabled Confederate, No. 541; an act for the relief of E. F. Lawrence, the widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 284; an act for the relief of S. H. Colman, Jr., a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 703; an act for the relief of Mary A. Ferguson, the widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 704; an act for the relief of John G. Callis, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 721; an act for the relief of Daniel Ramey, a Confederate soldier of Wise county, No. 731; an act for the relief of Gillie Bush, a Confederate soldier, No. 678; an act for the relief of W. S. Guy, a Confederate soldier, No. 653; an act for the relief of W. A. Turpin, a Confederate soldier, No. 266; an act for the relief of Sarah A. Tabor, widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 48; an act for the relief of George W. Earnest, a wounded Confederate soldier, No. 614; an act for the relief of Lewis B. Dulaney, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 529; an act for the relief of Peter J. Hight, a Confederate soldier, No. 251; an act for the relief of John W. Weaver, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 185; an act for the relief of Charles P. Ross, a Confederate soldier, No. 457; an act for the relief of Harriet G. Hodnett, widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 306; an act for the relief of R. J. Overton, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 234; an act for the relief J. W. Eley, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 479; an act for the relief of Malinda Wright, widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 437; an act for the relief of Cumberland G. Bradshaw, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 558; an act for the relief of Joseph Crouch, a Confederate soldier, No. 500; an act for the relief of William A. Hawkins, a disabled Confederate soldier, of Bedford county, No. 165; an act for the relief of George W. Finney, a Confederate soldier, No. 519; an act for the relief of R. R. Lynn, a Confederate soldier, No. 336; an act for the relief of Mrs. H. John and Mrs. Booker T. Davis, widows of Confederate soldiers, No. 496; an act for the relief of Jack Wray, a disabled Confederate soldier No. 720; an act for the relief of R. G. Willis, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 733; an act for the relief of James L. Arthur, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 169; an act for the relief of Sarah D. Griggs, the widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 283; an act for the relief of L. D. McMillie, Sr., a Confederate soldier of Patrick county, No. 237; an act for the relief of Mrs. Virginia F. Gayle, widow of a Confederate soldier, No. 209; an act for the relief of

Samuel M. Hawkins, a Confederate soldier, No. 366; an act for the relief of George A. Bowling, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 261; an act for the relief of H. P. Huddleston, a Confederate soldier of Bedford county, No. 166; an act for the relief of Samuel I. Nunnally, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 235; an act for the relief of James W. Newman, an ex-Confederate soldier, No. 398; an act for the relief of W. C. Layman, a disabled Confederate, No. 308; an act for the relief of W. T. Childress, of Appomattox county, No. 404; an act for the relief of A. J. Ramsey, a Confederate soldier of Pittsylvania county, No. 304; an act for the relief of John T. Tipton, a Confederate soldier, No. 352; an act for the relief of John I. Hedderly, a wounded Confederate soldier of Halifax county, No. 609; an act for the relief of P. C. Balderson, a disabled Confederate soldier, No. 509.

They have agreed to Senate joint resolution, appointing the several electoral boards for the State.

They have agreed to Senate joint resolution in reference to the death of Hon. Sydney P. Epes.

The House of Delegates informs the Senate that Senate bill entitled an act to repeal chapter 81 of the Code, and to repeal an act approved February 29, 1888, entitled an act to further define the duties and enlarge the powers of the commissioner of Agriculture, and an act approved March 5, 1888, entitled an act to provide for a Board of Agriculture of Virginia, and making appropriations therefor, and to reform the department of agriculture, provide for the appointment of a Commissioner and Board of Agriculture, define the duties of the Commissioner and Board; to regulate the sale and purity of commercial fertilizers and impose a tax on said fertilizers, No. 179, heretofore reported as having been passed, was recalled from the enrolling clerk, and rejected.

They have dismissed Senate bills entitled an act to provide for the erection upon the grounds of the State Penitentiary suitable buildings for better care and safety of the convicts confined in said penitentiary, No. 326; an act to promote moral reform in the State penitentiary, No. 465; an act allowing the designation of one of the justices of the county of Henrico to act as trial justice of misdemeanor cases and warrants for small claims arising within the space of three miles around the city of Richmond, in the county of Henrico, and providing for the payment of the salary of said justice out of the county funds, No. 584; an act to provide for registration of births and deaths, No. 707; an act to amend and re-enact section 3089 of the Code of Virginia, and section 3090 of the Code of Virginia, as amended by an act approved January 18, 1888, entitled an act to amend and re-enact sections 112, 633, 674, 2533, 3045, 3053, 3090, 3091, 3455, 3492, 4048, and 4049 of an act entitled an act to revise and arrange and consolidate into a code the general statutes of the commonwealth, approved May 16, 1897, No. 229; an act to amend and re-enact section 472 of the Code of Virginia in

relation to the assessment of taxes as amended and re-enacted by an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved February 28, 1898, No. 393; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to provide for the garnishment of and levy of execution on wages and salaries of all State officials, clerks and employees, approved February 24, 1900.

They have agreed to the amendments of the Senate to House bills entitled an act for the relief of John C. Hall, ex-treasurer of Franklin county, to give him and his former deputies powers of levy and distress to collect certain uncollected tax tickets now in his possession, and for which he has accounted to the proper fiscal agents, No. 158; an act to amend and re-enact an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 3586 (should be 3856) of the Code of Virginia, in relation to killing trees near highways, injuring bridges, obstructing roads, and riding or driving animals or vehicles on sidewalks, &c.; how punished, approved March 3, 1898, No. 324; an act to provide for the appointment of harbor master for the county of Warwick, and to fix his duties, No. 543; an act to incorporate the Agricultural Fair Association of Northern Virginia, No. 631; an act in relation to property rights of married women, declaring how they may acquire and dispose of property, make contracts, sue and be sued; and to amend sections 2291, 2293, 2294, and 2296, chapter 103 of the Code of Virginia; and to repeal sections 2284, 2285, 2286, 2287, 2288, 2289, 2290, 2292, and 2295, as amended by acts of 1895-'96, on page 486 thereof, No. 407; an act to provide for the repair, maintenance, construction, and permanent improvement of the public roads of Henrico county; to purchase toll roads; to raise revenue therefor and create a commission to have charge of the same; to authorize the board of supervisors of said county to borrow money therefor by the issue of bonds, and to authorize the qualified voters of said county to vote on the question of issuing bonds, No. 717; an act to incorporate the Elizabeth City Railroad Company, No. 1060; an act for the protection of game in the counties of Alleghany, Augusta, Bath, Botetourt, Highland, Rockbridge, and Rockingham, and prescribing penalties for violation of same, and to prohibit non-residents of the State of Virginia from hunting or killing game in any of the said counties without first obtaining a license therefor, except such non-residents as are *bona fide* owners in fee simple of real estate in one or more of said counties, and prescribing the license tax upon such non-residents, No. 482; an act to amend and re-enact section 815 of the Code of Virginia in reference to bonds of city treasurers as amended and re-enacted by an act entitled an act to amend and re-enact section 815 of the Code of Virginia, No. 213; an act to transfer the State's interest in the Warm Springs and Harrisonburg Turnpike Road, so far as the said road runs through the county of Augusta, to the board of supervisors of said county and to reduce the maximum rates of toll on said road in the county

of Rockingham, No. 411; an act to prescribe the times for holding the Circuit Courts in the thirteenth judicial circuit, No. 627; an act to incorporate the Westhampton Railway Company, No. 677; an act to authorize courts to exclude from all trials of felony or misdemeanor cases, all persons whose presence is not deemed necessary, No. 756; an act to amend the charter of the Guarantee Building Loan and Trust Company of Richmond, Virginia, No. 757; an act to amend and re-enact section 499 of the Code of Virginia in relation to the listing of dogs for taxation, No. 1220; an act to authorize the Board of Directors of the Penitentiary to employ assistant clerks when needed or to apportion the clerical work of the penitentiary among those now employed, and to apportion their compensation therefor, No. 1066; an act to amend and re-enact section 3711 of the Code of Virginia, as amended and re-enacted by chapter 359 of Acts of Assembly, 1893-94, as further amended and re-enacted by chapter 118 Acts of Assembly, 1897-98, making dogs in the cities of Richmond, Manchester, Petersburg, Alexandria, Newport News, Norfolk, Bristol and Roanoke, and in the counties of Henrico, Pulaski, Dinwiddie, Surry, Prince George, Franklin, Warwick, Clarke, Warren, Prince Edward, Isle of Wight, Accomac, Hanover, Washington, Elizabeth City and York, and all dogs listed for taxation, personal property and subjects of petit larceny and trespass, No. 1221.

They have passed House bills entitled an act to modify section 819 of the Code of Virginia, edition of 1887, and all amendments thereof, so far as the county of Augusta is affected, No. 1190; and an act to empower the council of the city of Richmond, Virginia, to appoint a sealer of weights and measures, No. 1198.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS the chair was vacated until 8 o'clock P. M.

NIGHT SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH, 7, 1900.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

On motion of Mr. MORRIS, the chair was vacated until 11 o'clock.

NIGHT SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 1900, 11 P. M.

Lieutenant-Governor EDWARD ECHOLS in the chair.

Message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. DUPUY, as follows:

Resolved (the Senate concurring), That a committee of three on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House be appointed to inform the governor that the General Assembly is ready to adjourn *sine die*, and enquire if he has any communication to make; which was agreed to, and Mr. DINWIDDIE ordered to inform the House of Delegates thereof.

The PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. MASSIE, BARKSDALE and DINWIDDIE as a committee on the part of the Senate to wait on the governor, who subsequently reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and that the governor requested them to state to the General Assembly that he had no further communication to make.

On motion of Mr. BARKSDALE, he was ordered to inform the House of Delegates that the Senate was ready on its part to adjourn.

A message was received from the House of Delegates by Mr. DUPUY, who informed the Senate that the House was ready on its part to adjourn.

The PRESIDENT then announced that the Senate stood adjourned until the first Wednesday in December, 1901, unless called together as prescribed by law.

MEMBERS OF THE SENATE

WHO SERVED DURING THE

Session Commencing December 6, 1899, and Terminating March 7, 1900.

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR EDWARD ECHOLS, PRESIDENT, *ex-officio*, Augusta.

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1. *Washington and Smyth* Charles W. Steele.
3. Russell, Buchanan, Dickenson and *Tazewell* Alexander St. Clair.
5. *Pulaski*, Wythe, Bland and Giles T. L. Tate.
7. *Rockbridge*, Botetourt, Alleghany, Bath and Highland, C. E. McCorkle.*
9. *Augusta and City of Staunton* John N. Opie.
11. Fauquier and *Loudoun* Henry Fairfax.
13. *Spotsylvania*, Stafford, Louisa and Fredericksburg G. M. Wallace.
15. *Culpeper*, Rappahannock, Madison and Orange J. L. Jeffries.
17. Albemarle, City of *Charlottesville* and Greene Geo. W. Morris.
19. *Amherst and Nelson* Bland Massie.
21. *Halifax* Wm. P. Barksdale.
23. *Pittsylvania*, Danville and Henry Rorer A. James.
25. *Charlotte and Mecklenburg* D. Q. Eggleston.
27. *Greensville*, *Sussex*, Surry and Prince George R. B. Hartley.
29. *Petersburg and Dinwiddie* W. B. McIwaine.
31. *Norfolk city and Princess Anne* W. E. Foster.
33. *Portsmouth and Norfolk county* H. L. Maynard.
35. City of *Richmond and Henrico* { B. B. Munford.
Conway R. Sands.
37. *Accomac and Northampton* Geo. W. Le Cato.
39. King and Queen, Middlesex, Gloucester, *Essex*, and Mathews Thos. E. Blakey.

EVEN DISTRICTS.

2. Scott, Lee and *Wise* R. P. Bruce.
4. *Montgomery*, Craig and *Roanoke* Edward Lyle.
6. Carroll, Grayson and *Patrick* E. J. Harvey.
8. *Rockingham* George B. Keezell.
10. *Shenandoah and Frederick* S. L. Lupton.
12. *Clarke*, Page and Warren Thomas D. Gold.
14. *Alexandria*, *Fairfax* and Prince William S. R. Donohoe.
16. *Powhatan*, Goochland and *Chesterfield* Philip V. Cogbill.
18. *Buckingham*, Fluvanna and *Appomattox* H. D. Flood.
20. *Campbell and City of Lynchburg* Carter Glass.
22. *Bedford* Graham Claytor.
24. *Pittsylvania* and City of Danville Joseph Whitehead.
26. *Floyd and Franklin* J. A. Dinwiddie.
28. *Lunenburg*, *Nottoway* and Brunswick Wm. Hodges Mann.
30. *Amelia*, Cumberland and *Prince Edward* A. D. Watkins.
32. *Southampton*, Isle of Wight and Nansemond William Shands.
34. *Hanover and Caroline* H. T. Wickham.
36. King George, Richmond, Westmoreland, *Northumberland* and Lancaster C. Harding Walker.
38. *Elizabeth City*, Warwick, York, James City, *Charles City*, New Kent and King William D. G. Tyler.

NOTE—The county or city in which the Senator resides is *italicized*.

* Died December 14, 1899. A. Nash Johnson elected to succeed C. E. McCorkle from 7th District.

SENATE DOCUMENTS.

SENATE DOC. No. I.

CORRESPONDENCE

BETWEEN THE

GOVERNOR OF VIRGINIA

AND THE

Governor of Maryland and Others,

IN REFERENCE TO THE

CAPTURE AND RELEASE OF CERTAIN OYSTER BOATS
DREDGING IN THE WATERS OF THE POCO-
MOKE AND TANGIER SOUNDS.

CORRESPONDENCE.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND, March 3, 1899.

His Excellency, J. HOGE TYLER,

Governor of Virginia, Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir,—I am just in receipt of affidavits setting forth that on the night of February 23, 1899, the Virginia police schooner operating in Tangier Sound, under the command of William Parks, entered Maryland waters, and about 10:30 P. M., when just north of Whit's Cove, at least two miles above the Virginia line, began firing with her gatling gun upon the batteau "Water Lily," Jesse Marsh, master, and continued firing while going northward for about five miles or seven miles in all within the Maryland line, when the schooner seized the batteau, and took her, with her crew, to Tangier Island, where the crew of the batteau escaped and returned to Smith's Island.

It is further alleged that the oysters on board (quantity not known) were carried to Tangier Island and afterwards to Pungateague creek, where they are still detained.

On the following day the same schooner entered Maryland waters and seized the schooner "Minnie Estelle," lying at anchor in Whit's Cove, with her cargo of about 300 bushels of oysters, taking her, with her crew, to Tangier Island, thence to Pungateague, where the crew are now held in Eastville jail.

The names of the crew are: Joseph Ofan, C. Asey, D. Bates, Cain Abell, Pat. Hackett, Frank Harold, David McNaughton, J. Ball, and D. Lane.

The affiant states, from personal knowledge, that the greater part of the oysters on board the "Minnie Estelle" were caught in Maryland waters, he having dredged in company with her on another boat in Chesapeake Bay between Point Lookout and Patuxent.

I will be obliged if you will investigate the seizure of these vessels, with a view to their restoration, with their cargoes, to the owners, and the liberation of the crew, if the facts are as stated herein.

Very truly yours,

LLOYD LOWNDES, Governor.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
RICHMOND, VA., March 4, 1899.

Dr. FRANK FLETCHER, Chairman Board of Fisheries,

Jenkins' Bridge, Va.

Dear Sir,—Governor Tyler directs me to refer the enclosed letter from the Governor of Maryland relative to the schooners Water Lily and Minnie Estelle, to

you, with the request that you report the facts in this case to this office as early as practicable.

Very truly yours,

BEN. P. OWEN, JR.,
Private Secretary.

JENKINS' BRIDGE, VA., March 13, 1899.

Governor J. HOGE TYLER,

Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir,—Your letter, with a letter enclosed from the Governor of Maryland, requesting me to investigate the capture of the Maryland boats by Captain Parkes of the police boat Pocomoke was received. I have made an investigation, and feel sure that both boats were captured in Maryland waters, in fact, Captain Parkes and crew admit the fact. They were seen at work, dredging in Virginia waters, and chased and captured in Maryland; taken before a Justice on Tangier Island who sent them on to Accomac Court, where an indictment was found against three of the crew. I also wrote to Mr. B. T. Gunter, Attorney for Accomac county, so as to get all the facts as to legal proceedings, and presume I commit no breach of etiquette, in enclosing his letter to you, which will explain all the details of the case. This report would have been made earlier, had not the terrible storm on Tuesday last, which played such havoc with all kinds of boats in Pocomoke and Tangier Sounds prevented any communication with either Captains Costin or Parkes, for two or three days.

Should you desire any further information, on any point I may have overlooked, I will gladly furnish it immediately, if possible. Fortunately, our police boats escaped injury during the storm, but much damage has been done. I am,

Yours very respectfully,

FRANK FLETCHER.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

RICHMOND, VA., March 16th, 1899.

His Excellency LLOYD LOWNDES, Governor of Maryland,

Annapolis, Md.

Dear Sir,—During my absence from the State for some ten days, a letter came from your Excellency making inquiry in regard to the capture of the Minnie Estelle and Water Lily by the Virginia police boat. This letter was sent by my secretary to Dr. Frank Fletcher, of Accomac county, chairman of our Board of Fisheries, with the request that he inquire into the matter and report the facts for my consideration. Dr. Fletcher submitted the letter to Mr. Benjamin T. Gunter, Commonwealth's attorney for Accomac county, and I have reports from both of these gentlemen. I regret they failed to return your letter, and, as I have not yet seen it, I hope you will pardon me if I fail to answer specifically any points you may have made. I confess I am not as well posted as I would like to be, and am not prepared to answer as fully as I would like, and perhaps not to your entire satisfaction. I have written for some additional information and for the return of the letter which was retained by Dr. Fletcher. I will not tax you at this time with full particulars of the report from Dr. Fletcher and Mr. Gunter. In his letter, Mr. Gunter says:

"I am further informed that Captain Parkes, just before the freeze, recognizing that Horse Hammock was not a good harbor in a freeze, went down to Tangier, or in that neighborhood, where he remained until after the ice began to break. He endeavored then to return, and found these boats engaged in illegal dredging on Woman's Marsh Rock; that they had oysters in considerable quantities aboard when captured, and it will not, I am informed, be disputed. They took advantage of the enforced absence of the Virginia police boat to violate the law.

"Both boats were captured by Captain Parkes just after the breaking up of the last freeze, and were seized because they had been used in dredging oysters on Woman's Marsh Rock, in the Tangier Sound, in Virginia, and just south of the dividing line between the two States. About this there can be no question. I am informed that it was admitted before Justice Cooper, on Tangier Island, before whom they were taken for a preliminary hearing. The captain of the Water Lily was one Jesse Marsh; the mate was Marsh—brothers of the Marsh whose case was carried to the U. S. Supreme Court a few years ago, when this whole line question was discussed and finally decided in favor of Virginia.

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"There can be no excuse, as I see the matter, for surrendering these boats. It is unquestioned that they were violating the laws of Virginia—one of them owned and used by the Marshes, who have been giving Virginia trouble and expense for years. Does Maryland now desire to protect the property of these depredators and defend them by saying, if they are guilty, they should have their property restored to them to aid them in future depredations, because it so happens that the Virginia authorities were forced to cross the line and thus enforce her laws?

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"If the capture of the boat in Maryland waters is a good and valid defence to the condemnation proceedings, then let them appear in court and defend their property and leave the matter to her courts to determine.

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"I trust you will urge the Governor to hold these boats and to permit the courts of Virginia to pass upon this question. It occurs to me that it is a question to be determined by the courts alone."

It seems to me, from the present lights before me, that these boats belonged to parties who were wilfully depredating on Virginia grounds; that at least one of them belonged to an old offender; that advantage was taken of the enforced absence of our police boats; and that, in the best interest of the peace between the States and protection of our citizens, and to promote the comity which has and always should exist between citizens of the States of Maryland and Virginia, it is desirable the suggestion of the Commonwealth's attorney of Accomac county should be carried out and that the courts should decide the question. I hope that in this I have your concurrence.

With consideration of high esteem, I am with great respect,

Very truly yours,

J. HOGE TYLER,
Governor of Virginia.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND, March 22, 1899.

His Excellency, J. HOGE TYLER,
Governor of Virginia, Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir,—I regret that you have not personally seen my letter to which your favor of the 16th instant is a reply.

In my first communication, your attention was called to the facts that on the night of February 23rd last, for an alleged violation of the Virginia oyster law, Captain William Parks, in command of the Virginia police schooner operating in Tangier Sound, pursued and captured in Maryland waters the oyster vessels "Water Lily" and "Minnie Estelle" and conveyed said vessels, with their crews, to Virginia; that the crew of the Water Lily escaped, but that the crew of the Minnie Estelle are confined in the Eastville jail, and I requested that if, upon investigation, you found the facts as stated to be correct, you would direct the release of the prisoners and the restoration of the vessels and cargoes.

From the statement of Messrs. Fletcher and Gunter, as quoted in your letter, it appears that the fact of the captures having taken place in Maryland waters is established.

In view of this unwarranted violation of the sovereignty of the State of Maryland, I hereby renew my request that the members of the crew of the vessel "Minnie Estelle" be released from custody and returned to Maryland, and that the vessels "Water Lily" and "Minnie Estelle," with their cargoes, be restored to their owners.

Let me assure your excellency that I have no desire to condone or defend the violation of the laws of Virginia by citizens of Maryland. The probable guilt or innocence of the accused is not under consideration.

So long as there is an orderly method for the interstate rendition of alleged fugitives from justice, provided by the constitution and laws of the United States and uniformly recognized by the several States, I cannot consent to the invasion of Maryland territory by the police authorities of Virginia for the pursuit and arrest of persons charged with violating the laws of that Commonwealth.

Your excellency will doubtless agree with me that citizens are but encouraged to do lawless acts when they see State officers themselves permitted to transcend the bounds of lawful authority. I remain,

Very respectfully yours,

LLOYD LOWNDES,
Governor of Maryland.

JENKINS' BRIDGE, VA., March 16, 1899.

Governor J. HOGE TYLER, Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir,—You will please find enclosed the letter of Gov. Lowndes, of Maryland, which I neglected to forward in my letter to you. I will consult with Judge Ross and Mr. Gunter, and ask them to offer any suggestions they may wish.

I think the court should, at least, be allowed to proceed, so as to establish the fact, if nothing else, that our laws were being violated by the parties. Then, if the boats are liberated, it might be with the understanding that if caught in the waters of this State in the future they would be taken. The citizens of Mary-

land give our police much trouble, and, of course, the cost to our State, annually, is considerable in protecting our property near the State line.

With much respect, I am,

Very truly yours,

FRANK FLETCHER.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
RICHMOND, VA., March 28, 1899.

Hon. A. J. MONTAGUE, Attorney-General, City.

Sir,—I enclose a correspondence which I have had with the Governor of Maryland and Mr. B. T. Gunter, Commonwealth's attorney of Accomac county, in reference to the capture of some vessels and prisoners claimed to have been depredating in Virginia waters. The full nature of the case is set forth in this correspondence, and I hope you will give me your opinion as to the legal status of affairs, so I may know how to proceed further in the matter.

Respectfully yours,

J. HOGE TYLER, Governor.

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY-GENERAL OF VIRGINIA,

RICHMOND, VA., March 30, 1899.

To His Excellency J. HOGE TYLER,

Governor of Virginia.

Sir,—I have considered the questions referred to me by you in connection with the capture of the vessels, *Water Lily* and *Minnie Estelle*, and the arrests of certain men found thereupon, who were engaged in the felonious dredging of oysters in this Commonwealth.

The facts I understand to be substantially these: The commanders and crews were engaged and using these vessels in taking with dredges, oysters in the waters of this Commonwealth, near the Maryland line; that one of the police boats of this Commonwealth endeavored to capture said vessels and men while engaged in such dredging; that the vessels took flight upon seeing the police boat, which, however, continued pursuit and effected a capture of the vessels and men in the waters of Maryland. The vessels and men were then brought back into this Commonwealth where the offence was wholly committed. The vessels are now held in pursuance of said seizure (no forfeiture proceedings having been instituted), and the men are in jail awaiting action of the grand jury.

It is a general principle of law that no seizure for the breach of the municipal laws of a State can be made within the territory of another. (*The Appollon*, 9 Wheat., 362.) However, there are circumstances which authorize the authorities of a State to pursue and capture such marauding vessels in the waters of Maryland. (*Rep. Va. Leg. Com.*, June 20, 1894, and authorities cited.). But that the circumstances are sufficient to legalize the present seizure is not entirely clear. Therefore, in that the vessels are not held in pursuance of any judicial proceedings, I have the honor to advise that you have authority to direct their release.

With respect to the crew which are detained upon the charge of felonious dredging, the legal principles are different from those applicable to the seizure of the vessels in question. The jurisdiction of the court in which the indictment is found is not impaired by the manner in which the accused are brought before it.

(*Mahon v. Justice*, 127 U. S., 700.) But in any event the proceedings have been instituted in a court of competent jurisdiction, and the questions involved are judicial and not executive. Therefore, you have no constitutional right to interfere with the prosecutions in question.

Very respectfully,

A. J. MONTAGUE,
Attorney-General.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

RICHMOND, VA., March 30th, 1899.

His Excellency LLOYD LOWMEYER, Governor of Maryland,

Annapolis, Maryland.

Dear Sir,—This delay in replying to your letter of the 22nd instant has been caused by my inability to obtain the requisite information respecting the capture of the oyster vessels, *Water Lily* and *Minnie Estelle*, and some of their crew. Yesterday afforded me the first opportunity of a personal conference with Mr. Gunter, the prosecuting attorney for Accomac county, which I thought necessary before replying to your communication.

There are circumstances which legalize the seizure of property for violation of the municipal laws of a State, although the seizure of such property be made within the territory of another State. This contention, your Excellency will observe, has heretofore been insisted upon in a letter from the Governor of this State to the Governor of Maryland, bearing date September 5th, 1894. But without waiving this contention, I am persuaded that the importance of comity between the two States is so desirable that I should direct the release of the vessels. It is, however, due to candor, that I observe that my action in yielding to the demands of comity, should not be construed as a precedent to bind this State in similar cases hereafter.

These vessels, as I am advised, are not held in pursuance of any judicial proceedings, and therefore, my authority is sufficient to direct their release. As soon, therefore, as I am advised by you, I will direct the delivery of said vessels to such agent as you may designate to receive them.

With respect to those of the crew who are held upon the charge of felonious dredging, I beg to state that the proceedings have been instituted in a court of competent jurisdiction, and the matters involved are beyond executive interference or control.

I cannot believe your Excellency desires the release of these prisoners, in that you suggest your readiness for their rendition from the jurisdiction of Maryland. Therefore, even had I authority to direct their release, which I have not, it would be a work of supererogation to deliver them to the authorities of Maryland, as the prisoners would instantly be returned to this State upon rendition proceedings.

I note with pleasure your Excellency's expressions to observe the laws respecting the rendition of fugitives from justice, and therefore I am assured of your ready co-operation in the rendition of several fugitives from justice charged with felonious dredging, now in your State, and desired by the authorities of Accomac county.

In conclusion, I beg to renew the suggestions made in the closing paragraph

of the letter from the Governor of Virginia, dated September 5th, 1894, above referred to, recommending the advisability of reciprocal legislation enabling each state to pursue the class of offenders in question across the line and into the waters of the other, and to express the hope that your Excellency will concur in my earnest desire that such legislation may be secured. And I should add that Virginia has already passed an act to accomplish this result (Acts 1893-4, p. 955-6), which I regret was rendered ineffectual by the failure of Maryland to grant reciprocal rights.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

J. HOGE TYLER,
Governor of Virginia.

[Telegram.]

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
RICHMOND, VA., March 31, 1899.

To B. T. GUNTER, Onancock, Va.

Governor suggests that you indict and ask for requisition for men who escaped. His Excellency desires to test Governor of Maryland on rendition in connection with matter he talked with you about.

BEN. P. OWEN, JR.,
Private Secretary.

ACCOMAC, VA., April 3d, 1899.

To His Excellency J. HOGE TYLER, Governor of Virginia,

Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir,—Your telegram directing me to have men indicted for the purpose of asking for requisition and testing the Governor of Maryland on this line came duly to hand. Our next grand jury does not meet until the last Monday in May, but I could have warrants issued for their arrest, and the proper affidavits that they had escaped and were now in Maryland, &c., and the request could be made, based upon these. This is our usual way of making the application. I presume this will be satisfactory to you, especially as it will be much quicker than to wait for indictment. But it seems to me, if you will permit me to say so, that it would be a mistake to take this step, because we could never find an officer in Maryland who would make the arrests. They would go through the form of trying, but these men have too many friends, who would warn them of the approach of the officer and give them time to escape. Governor Lowndes is aware of this and would not hesitate to grant the requisition, and we would never see our men. He would have the appearance of doing all in his power to prevent such violations.

Respectfully,

BEN. T. GUNTER.

[Telegram.]

3, 30, 1899.

Dated Baltimore, Md.

To Hon. A. J. MONTAGUE, Attorney-General, Richmond, Va.

Would like to confer with you about Maryland oyster arrests. Will Washington be agreeable to you; if so, please name time and place.

(Signed)

GEO. R. GAITHER, JR., Att'y-General.

[Telegram.]

Ap. 1, 1899.

Dated Baltimore, Md.

To Hon. A. J. MONTAGUE, Hotel Raleigh, Washington, D. C.
Will arrive at hotel by one fifteen this afternoon.

(Signed)

GEO. R. GAITHER, JR.

[Telegram.]

April 3, 1899.

Dated Baltimore, Md.

To Hon. A. J. MONTAGUE, Attorney-Genl., Richmond, Va.
Governor Lowndes will approve arrangement as outlined at our conference.

(Signed)

GEO. R. GAITHER, JR.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL OF VIRGINIA,

Richmond, Va., April 4, 1899.

To his Excellency, J. HOGE TYLER,

Governor of Virginia, East Radford, Va.

Dear Sir,—A conference was held with the Attorney-General of Maryland on Saturday. His plan was this: That the vessel and prisoners should be surrendered to the authorities of Maryland, but simultaneous with the surrender of the prisoners, and accompanying the same, should be a requisition from you for such persons, and the Governor of Maryland would at once honor the requisition and return the prisoners to this State.

It seems that the Governor of Maryland is stickling over the technical supremacy for the sovereignty of his State, and, therefore, he wishes these prisoners to come back from Maryland to Virginia by legal process. The Attorney-General of Maryland left the impression upon my mind that he would be satisfied with any reasonable action by which the strict method of legal procedure could be complied with.

Last night, about ten o'clock, I received a telegram from Attorney-General Gaither, a copy of which I enclose, and am expecting a letter to-day more fully detailing the proposed arrangement. I thought it best to acquaint you with this state of progress that you may see exactly what I have done so far. The only embarrassment in the way to this arrangement would be your legal inability to interfere with the criminal proceedings pending in Accomac. I presume, however, that Mr. Gunter would be glad to comply with your request in connection therewith.

Very respectfully yours,

A. J. MONTAGUE,
Attorney-General.

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY-GENERAL STATE OF MARYLAND,

BALTIMORE, April 4, 1899.

Hon. A. J. MONTAGUE, Attorney-General, Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir,—As I telegraphed you last evening, Governor Lowndes has authorized me to approve of the understanding which we arrived at upon the occasion of our conference in Washington on Saturday last. According to that understanding, upon hearing from the Governor of Virginia to that effect, the Governor

of this State will authorize some one to receive the boats and proceeds for the sale of the oysters, and the prisoners now in custody. Governor Lowndes will, immediately upon receiving proper requisition papers from the Governor of Virginia, arrest and deliver to the Virginia authorities any persons who may be accused of violating the laws of your State out of which this controversy has arisen.

Appreciating very highly your courtesy in this matter, and hoping that I may have the pleasure of meeting you soon again, I am, with expressions of the highest regard,

Yours sincerely,

(Signed)

GEORGE R. GAITHER, JR.

OFFICE ATTORNEY-GENERAL OF VIRGINIA,

RICHMOND, VA., April 5, 1899.

HON. GEORGE R. GAITHER, JR., Attorney-General,

Baltimore, Md.

Dear Sir,—Your wire of day before yesterday was received late at night of that day and transmitted by me yesterday morning to the Governor, together with an outline of our conference in Washington.

I am also in receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, giving your understanding of our conference in Washington. I fear you and I have misapprehended each other in respect to the custody and delivery of the prisoners. It was my understanding, and I so wrote the Governor yesterday morning, that the Governor of this State would request the authorities of Accomac county to deliver the prisoners to some official in your State, but that accompanying such delivery would be requisition papers from this State, which would be immediately honored and the prisoners at once returned to the authorities of this Commonwealth. In other words, it was not my understanding, as you seem to suggest, that these prisoners were to be turned loose in Maryland and then the State of Virginia to take its chances for their arrest. For myself, it is due to candor to say that, under such circumstances, I have no idea that the prisoners would ever be apprehended by your State. Therefore, unless the delivery, requisition and rendition of the prisoners can be accomplished simultaneously, I do not think the authorities of Virginia need hope to have them back within their jurisdiction.

Before communicating further with the Governor, I would be pleased to be advised whether my understanding is correct. Thanking you very much for your courteous letter and assuring you of the pleasure I experienced in meeting you, I remain,

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed)

A. J. MONTAGUE,
Attorney-General.

[Telegram.]

BALTIMORE, MD., April 6, 1899.

HON. A. J. MONTAGUE, Attorney-General,

Richmond, Va.

Your understanding correct. Understood State might wish to prosecute parties than those arrested.

(Signed)

GEORGE R. GAITHER, JR.

OFFICE OF ATTORNEY-GENERAL OF MARYLAND,

BALTIMORE, April 6, 1899.

Hon. A. J. MONTAGUE, Attorney-General,
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir,—I have just received your favor of the 5th inst. regarding our interview in Washington, and have telegraphed to you that your understanding of our conference was correct. The reason why I referred to the matter of a requisition in the way which I did was because of my inference from your remarks that probably the State of Virginia would not prosecute those who were at present in custody, but would frame indictments against other parties who were responsible for the offence. I agree with you that, for the proper settlement of the case, the requisition papers should be handed to the official of this State representing the Governor at the time when the prisoners are delivered to our authorities, and that thereupon the custody of the prisoners should be returned to the authorities of your State.

Yours very sincerely,
(Signed)

GEORGE R. GAITHER, JR.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

RICHMOND, VA., April 7th, 1899.

His Excellency LLOYD LOWDNES, Governor of Maryland,
Annapolis, Maryland.

Dear Sir,—I transmit herewith my letter of the 30th ultimo, which was written and signed before the recent conference between the Attorneys-General of our respective States.

As I am advised, the Attorney-General of your State submits a proposition which substantially agrees with what is proposed by me in my letter. As I understand, it would be satisfactory to you for me to obtain the delivery of these prisoners to your agent in Maryland, but simultaneously upon such delivery the said prisoners would be returned to this State upon proper requisition proceedings. Therefore, it is only a matter of technical arrangement, and consequently my original proposition is substantially that submitted by your Attorney-General, and I can hardly see the necessity of going through the form of surrendering these prisoners. However, should your Excellency desire the formalities complied with, I will endeavor to do so, so far as I have the authority; for, as stated in my letter, my authority in procuring the release of these prisoners is only of a suggestive and persuasive nature.

I am constrained to believe that my suggestions will meet with your approval, as it will save both delay and expense, and in no way reflect upon the dignity of your State, but in my judgment will promote the comity that exists between the States.

Hoping you will excuse the unavoidable delay in sending this communication, which I trust is understood by your Excellency, I am,

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

J. HOGE TYLER, Governor.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

RICHMOND, VA., April 7th, 1899.

Mr. B. T. GUNTER, Accomac, Va.

My dear Sir,—I have your letter of April 3rd, and have delayed answering until we had all arrangements satisfactorily made with Governor Lowndes. We now have assurances from him through the Attorney-General of Maryland, that if the prisoners you now have in custody are released, and turned over to the Maryland authorities, that immediately and simultaneously the said prisoners will be delivered up to our authorities. Therefore if you approve this plan and agree to release the prisoners, and will send me application for the requisition papers, I will prepare them and send them to you, that they may be taken on by whoever you name as agent, who will be present with Governor Lowndes rendition warrant for the surrender of the parties. May I also suggest that you have warrants gotten out for the other parties you wish to have arrested, and that we send them at the same time with the hope that they may be close, and easily arrested. The Governor of Maryland has clearly indicated that he will surrender the other parties, as well as those now in custody.

I have written to Governor of Maryland suggesting as we are now practically agreed that the formalities of a surrender and return of the three prisoners now held, be waived, and it is possible he may consent. However, it will be best to have all the papers ready, and I hope if it is agreeable to you that the present plans may be carried out.

Very respectfully yours,

J. HOGE TYLER, Governor.

Accomac, VA., April 12, 1899.

To His Excellency J. HOGE TYLER, Governor of Virginia,
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir,—Your letter of April 7th, came duly to hand and would have been answered promptly but for the enforced absence of Judge Ross from the county. Before replying definitely thereto I preferred to consult him especially, as both the prisoners and also the boats are directly under his control and any arrangement that I might enter into would be worthless unless it should meet his approval. He has not as yet returned from the city, so that I cannot give a definite reply to your letter. You have never informed me about the boats. This information is very desirable at this time, for two reasons, first, because if they are to be forfeited, then steps should be taken at once so as to be ready for the next term of County Court, and secondly, I speak for myself and not for Judge Ross, this information is more or less necessary to enable me to reach a conclusion about the prisoners now in jail. I would therefore thank you to let me know the conclusion that you have reached about the boats at your earliest convenience.

Yours very truly,

BEN. T. GUNTER.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

RICHMOND, VA., April 13, 1899.

Hon. B. T. GUNTER, Accomac, Va.

Dear Sir,—I have your letter of the 12th, and hasten to reply. I regret I

failed to state that the agreement carried with it the release of the boats. This was consented to under the advice of the Attorney-General. There is some question as to what we will do with the proceeds from the sale of oysters in the captured boats, but this is a matter of detail we can hereafter arrange. Will you see that this fund is kept intact? Hope you will send papers as soon as you can conveniently, if our plans are agreeable to Judge Ross and yourself.

Believe me,

Very truly yours,

J. HOGE TYLER, Governor.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
ANNAPOLIS, MARYLAND, April 14, 1899.

His Excellency, J. HOGE TYLER,

Governor of Virginia.

Dear Sir,—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 7th inst., regarding the settlement of the matter in controversy concerning the arrest and capture of two oyster boats and their crews in the waters of this State by the authorities of Virginia.

In order to bring about the solution of this controversy, I accept the terms referred to in your letter with the additional arrangements understood between the Attorneys-General of our respective States. Under this agreement, I would designate the sheriff of Somerset county as my official representative to receive the returns of the two oyster vessels "Water Lily" and "Minnie Estelle," and also the proceeds of the sale of their cargoes. He will also receive the prisoners who were arrested at the time of the seizure of these vessels. In order that the prisoners may be immediately returned to your authorities, I would request that you send proper requisition papers to me at once, so that the sheriff of Somerset county can be instructed to immediately return the said prisoners to the authorities of your State.

I accept this solution with the hope that there will be no further violations of the sovereign rights of our State by the officers of Virginia.

In order that this unfortunate affair may not occur again, I would suggest that proper instructions be issued to the Virginia police authorities in those waters so that any future violations of the law may be settled by the ordinary course of interstate requisitions. I will give similar instructions to the police authorities of this State.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

LLOYD LOWNDES,
Governor of Maryland.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
RICHMOND, VA., April 15th, 1899.

His Excellency, LLOYD LOWNDES, Governor of Maryland,

Annapolis, Md.

Dear Sir,—I have the pleasure of acknowledging the receipt of your letter of the 14th, accepting the terms of surrender of the prisoners now held by the County Court of Accomac county, and the return of the captured vessels *Water Lily* and *Minnie Estelle*. I have been waiting for several days to hear from the

Judge and Commonwealth's Attorney of Accomac as to their approval of the plan, their willingness to release the prisoners, and the forwarding by the Commonwealth's Attorney of the papers asking for requisition. I hope soon to have this information and the request from the Commonwealth's Attorney. I understand that the delay has been caused by the absence of Honorable Samuel T. Ross, Judge of the County Court of Accomac. I wrote two days ago to Mr. Gunter, the Commonwealth's Attorney, asking for a reply as soon as possible, and when I hear from him I will immediately forward the requisition papers.

I note with pleasure your suggestion that all efforts be made in future to avoid a recurrence of these unpleasant affairs, and that you will instruct your police authorities on the subject. I will gladly give similar instructions, and assure you that it is a source of great gratification to me to know that a plan has been at last agreed upon for the settlement of such disputes which is in accordance with interstate regulations, promotive of pleasant relationship, and which I am persuaded will hereafter be effective.

I am with consideration of high esteem,

Your obedient servant,

J. HOGE TYLER, Governor.

[Telegram.]

RICHMOND, VA., April 17th, 1899.

To B. T. GUNTER, Onancock, Va.

Governor of Maryland ready to honor requisitions. If plans are approved, please send papers.

J. HOGE TYLER, Governor.

ACCOMAC, VA., April 17th, 1899.

To His Excellency J. HOGE TYLER, Governor of Virginia,
Richmond, Va.

Dear Sir,—Your letter of April 13th, stating that the agreement with the Governor of Maryland provides for the surrender of the boats, came duly to hand. I regret very much that I cannot agree with your views in reference to the proper disposition to be made of the prisoners now in jail under indictment and also these boats. While I do not like to be persistent in the matter, still, as I understand your letter of April 7th, the agreement also provides for the return of the prisoners to Accomac jail after they have been delivered to the Maryland authorities, and then they are to be prosecuted by me, I must, in justice to you, inform you what my course will be in reference to these men when returned, and give briefly my reasons for such action on my part. The Supreme Court of the United States has said, "It would indeed be a strange conclusion if a party charged with a criminal offence could be excused from answering to the government whose laws he had violated because others had done violence to him and also committed an offence against another State." It has further said, "There is no comity between the States by which a person held upon an indictment for a criminal offence in one State can be turned over to the authorities of another, though abducted from the latter." This seems to me to be conclusive as to the right to hold the prisoners now in jail. So far as I can see, it is equally appli-

cable to the boats; but, as I said to you in Richmond, if the boats are to be released, I do not care to prosecute the prisoners now in jail, and shall, at the proper time, request the county court to enter a *nolle prosequi* in these cases. Such being my intention, it would be futile to ask for requisition, only to discharge them upon their return. There is no question about their taking oysters in Virginia waters; but being only hired men, with no discretion about where to work, and controlled entirely by the captains of the boats, I have grave doubts about their being guilty of any criminal intent. Such being the case, and also in consideration of the fact that you have determined to surrender the property of the real offenders, I much prefer that they shall go free and discharged. It is, indeed, difficult to prevent violations of the oyster laws at this point; vigorous prosecutions on the part of the Virginia authorities heretofore have somewhat reduced these violations. If we yield now to the appeals of the Governor of Maryland, we had as well withdraw our police boats and give it over to them.

Yours very truly,

BEN. T. GUNTER.

[Telegram.]

RICHMOND, VA., April 18, '99.

To B. T. GUNTER, Onancock, Va.

Urgent that we confer. Can't you come at once? Would like for you to bring warrants for those arrested as well as those desired. Answer.

J. HOGE TYLER, Governor.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

RICHMOND, VA., April 18, '99.

Mr. B. T. GUNTER, Onancock, Va.

Dear Sir,—Your letter just received, and I have wired you to come if you can so that we can have a personal conference. For fear that you may not be able to come at once, I write to urge that you will give me your co-operation and assistance in carrying out plans for the permanent settlement of these disputes with the State of Maryland. I think the course proposed will be a permanent settlement of this long vexed question, and in the future save a great deal of trouble. Heretofore parties have trespassed on our waters and felt that they were safe because they could recross into Maryland. If we can get a precedent by which they will be returned by Maryland authorities it will, in my opinion, effectually break up these depredations. Once they see that the Governor of Maryland will surrender them on requisition papers they will be deterred from further infractions of the laws.

We can have the present prisoners returned on requisitions simultaneous with their surrender, and I have also arranged to have the other more serious offenders arrested and delivered at the same time. If you aid me in this it will be all I desire. I have no suggestions to make as to your prosecuting parties after they are in the custody of the court.

Hoping you will be able to see your way clear to co-operate with me, I am,
Very respectfully yours,

J. HOGE TYLER, Governor.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
RICHMOND, VA., April 20th, 1899.

Honorable S. T. Ross, Onancock, Va.

Dear Sir,—I have agreed with the Governor of Maryland that I would request you to order that the dredging prisoners now in the jail of your county, be delivered to your sheriff, who in turn would deliver them to an agent of the Governor of Maryland. Simultaneously with this delivery to the agent of Maryland the prisoners will be demanded by me upon requisition papers, and they will at once be re-delivered to your sheriff, who will return with them and place them in custody. Therefore, as I am solicitous to establish a precedent for the rendition of this class of offenders from Maryland, I would be pleased if you can accede to my request.

Respectfully yours,

J. HOGE TYLER, Governor.

ACCOMAC C. H., VA., April 22, 1899.

His Excellency Governor TYLER,

Richmond, Va.

Dear Governor,—Yours of the 20th was received last evening. I think a *nolle prosequi* will be entered at the April term of our Court, (probably on Monday), in the case of the "dredging" prisoners now in the jail of this county. In that event there will be no occasion for their delivery to the Sheriff, to be by him delivered to "an agent of the Governor of Maryland." These prisoners are not the principal offenders. I believe they are foreigners or tramps, probably picked up in Baltimore and ignorant at the time of their violation of the Virginia oyster law.

However much I desire to accede to the request you suggested, know of no law authorizing such a course on my part, and with all respect due you individually, as well as the high and responsible position you occupy, am unable to see the wisdom in pursuing the course your letter indicates. When the *nolle prosequi* is entered that will put an end to the case so far as these prisoners are concerned.

Very respectfully,

S. T. Ross.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
RICHMOND, VA., April 28th, 1899.

Mr. B. T. GUNTER, Onancock, Va.

Dear Sir,—Please let me know what decision Judge Ross and yourself have come to in the matter of issuing requisitions upon the Governor of Maryland for the "oyster depredators."

Respectfully yours,

J. HOGE TYLER, Governor.

ACCOMAC, VA., May 1st, 1899.

His Excellency J. HOGE TYLER, Governor of Virginia,

Richmond, Virginia.

Dear Sir,—Your letter of April 28th, asking what decision Judge Ross and I

had reached in reference to issuing requisition on the Governor of Maryland for "oyster depredators," came duly to hand. In reply will say, that when the cases came up at the last term of court, I then understood Judge Ross to say that he had heard from you in reference to these parties who were at that time in jail, and that he had written to you that he thought there should be some final disposition made of these cases at that term of court. Such being the case, I asked that a *nolle* be entered in them, and the prisoners were discharged. This, you will remember, I told you I would do when I was in Richmond, unless Judge Ross should conclude that a different course was better. I herewith enclose copies of warrants issued against the parties who escaped, also appended thereto requests for requisitions. This I understood you desired that the parties might be apprehended and surrendered to the Virginia authorities when the boats were released or delivered up. Since seeing you I have learned that the boats are in charge of John A. Crockett, at Tangier Island, Va. I trust that the papers will be found in proper form by you.

Respectfully,

BEN. T. GUNTER.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

RICHMOND, VA., May 4th, 1899.

His Excellency LLOYD LOWDNES, Governor of Maryland,
Annapolis, Maryland.

Dear Sir,—Referring to our correspondence as to the release and delivery of the prisoners confined in the jail of Accomac county upon the charge of felonious dredging, and the surrender of the boats, the Water Lily and Minnie Estelle, I beg to accentuate my regret at the delay which has ensued in consummating the views so pleasantly and satisfactorily reached by us. This delay, however, has been caused by the failure of the Commonwealth's Attorney and Judge of said county to accede to my request.

But inasmuch as I am in receipt of a letter from the Commonwealth's Attorney, advising me that he has dismissed the cases pending against said prisoners, and that their discharge from imprisonment has been effected, I apprehend your wishes will be met upon my direction that the two vessels be at once delivered to your agent, which I have this day accordingly done, as per letters, copies of which are here enclosed.

I should add that the Commonwealth's Attorney advises me that the cases in question were dismissed because he thought it inadvisable to prosecute these offenders who were the employees of the masters of the vessels, and who were perhaps only technically guilty.

In accordance with your suggestions as to rendition of this class of offenders, I beg to enclose requisition papers for James Evans, Archie Marsh, Jessie Marsh and Peter Marshall. These persons are regarded by the Commonwealth's Attorney as the chief offenders, and I will be deeply gratified to have the active co-operation of your Excellency in the arrest and rendition of said alleged offenders.

Again expressing my regret at the delay of this reply, and assuring you of my appreciation of your willingness to co-operate in trying to establish a plan for

the prevention of future depredations and annoyance to the citizens of our respective States, I am, with consideration of high esteem,

Most respectfully yours,

J. HOGE TYLER,
Governor of Virginia.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
RICHMOND, VA., May 4th, 1899.

Mr. B. T. GUNTER, Onancock, Va.

Dear Sir,—Your letter and request for requisition on the Governor of Maryland for James Evans, Archie Marsh, Jessie Marsh and Peter Marshall, was received day before yesterday, but owing to my enforced absence from the city, I have not been able to give earlier attention to the matter.

I regret that I could not prevail on Judge Ross and yourself to view the situation as I have, and to see the importance of having these prisoners, already in custody, delivered to us on requisition papers as soon as surrendered, as it would have thoroughly established a precedent for the surrender of depredators on our waters. However, I have no criticism to make of your action, and with the hope that I can yet have a precedent established, and that the records of your court will show that parties have been arrested on requisition warrants and tried, I send the application to the Governor of Maryland for the parties above referred to. I hope the sheriff of your county will be able to arrest them. Should he fail, I hope he will send the warrant to me, and I will make effort on the line as indicated a few days ago. I have directed Mr. Cooper to turn over the funds, and Mr. Crockett to surrender the boats to the sheriff of Somerset county, as per agreement with the Governor of Maryland, and I hope this action will meet with your approval.

Respectfully yours,

J. HOGE TYLER, Governor.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
RICHMOND, VA., May 4, 1899.

Mr. JOHN A. CROCKETT, Tangier, Va.

Dear Sir,—The matter in controversy between the State of Virginia and the State of Maryland having been settled, you are hereby authorized to deliver the two boats—the Water Lily and Minnie Estelle—to the sheriff of Somerset county, Maryland, who has been designated by the Governor of Maryland as agent to receive said boats.

Respectfully yours,

J. HOGE TYLER,
Governor of Virginia.

P. S. If you need any assistance in delivering these boats call on Captain Parks or Captain Costin, of the oyster police force.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
RICHMOND, VA., May 4, 1899.

Mr. J. L. COOPER, Justice of the Peace,
Tangier, Virginia.

Dear Sir,—The matter in controversy between the States of Virginia and Maryland having been settled, you are hereby authorized to deliver the proceeds on hand, if any, from the sale of the oysters captured in the vessels Water Lily and Minnie Estelle to the sheriff of Somerset county, Maryland, who has been designated by the Governor of Maryland as agent to receive said funds.

Respectfully yours,

J. HOGE TYLER,
Governor of Virginia.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
RICHMOND, VA., May 5th, 1899.

Captain J. H. COSTIN,
Leamont, Accomac co., Va.

Dear Sir,—An agreement having been reached between the Governor of Maryland and myself, that hereafter depredators trespassing on the waters of each State will be surrendered on requisition from the Governors of the respective States, it is hoped that you will exercise due precaution, and not cross the boundary line between the State of Virginia and Maryland in pursuing these depredators, but that you will endeavor in any way possible to learn the names of parties who may offend, and report them at once to the Commonwealth's Attorney of Accomac county, or to some magistrate who can at once issue warrants for their arrest.

Respectfully yours,

J. HOGE TYLER,
Governor of Virginia.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
RICHMOND, VA., May 5th, 1899.

Captain W. C. PARKS,
Accomac county, Va.

Dear Sir,—An agreement having been reached between the Governor of Maryland and myself, that hereafter depredators trespassing on the waters of each state will be surrendered on requisition from the Governors of the respective States, it is hoped that you will exercise due precaution, and not cross the boundary line between the State of Virginia and Maryland in pursuing these depredators, but that you will endeavor in any way possible to learn the names of parties who may offend, and report them at once to the Commonwealth's Attorney of Accomac county, or to some magistrate who can at once issue warrants for their arrest.

Respectfully yours,

J. HOGE TYLER,
Governor of Virginia.

SENATE DOC. No. II.

REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF FISHERIES

TO THE

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF VIRGINIA,

FROM MARCH 30, 1898, TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1899.

Report of the Board of Fisheries.

To the General Assembly:

In pursuance of the act creating the Board of Fisheries, we beg leave to make our report to your honorable body. The Board of Fisheries, created by the last General Assembly of Virginia, took charge of the Fish and Oyster interests of the State on the 30th day of March, 1898, and, in pursuance of law, made to the Governor a report of its work for the year ending the 31st of March, 1899, which report is submitted as a part of this report. In addition to the financial exhibit made in our report to the Governor, we make a further report from April 1, 1899, to September 30, 1899. These reports show that for eighteen months during which this Board has had the management of the Fish and Oyster interests, there has been collected:

From planting grounds.....	\$39,210 30
From tongers	19,087 14
From dredgers	4,631 40
From fish nets.....	7,424 59
From crabbing licenses.....	707 60
From fines	1,450 54
From other sources.....	1,396 83
Total	\$73,986 40

These collections were made from the counties as follows:

COLLECTIONS FROM COUNTIES.

COUNTIES.	AMOUNT FROM FISHNETS.	AMOUNT FROM ORABS.	AMOUNT FROM TONGMEN.	AMOUNT FROM DREDGERS.	AMOUNT FROM GROUNDS.	AMOUNT FROM FINES.	AMOUNT FROM B. GROUNDS.	AMOUNT FROM TUBS.
Accomac.....	\$ 918 90	\$ 654 50	\$ 3,358 41	\$ 2,106 67	\$ 3,827 91	\$ 52 50	.....	\$ 16 20
Elizabeth City.....	492 20	8 00.	68 40	.....	4,886 61	.....	\$ 72 61	.....
Essex.....	22 50	.....	874 40	.....	306 00	41 00	.....	.....
Gloucester.....	71 10	1 80	1,686 24	.....	4,887 58	6 75	.....	21 15
Isle of Wight.....	1 80	.....	448 11	.....	1,806 11	.....	.....	.....
James City.....	5 40	.....	12 60	5 40	964 86	.....	.....	.....
King George.....	171 90	10 80	161 64	88 67	108 82	45 00	.....	7 05
King and Queen.....	.....	.....	71 10	.....	917 51	.....	.....	.....
Lancaster.....	1,749 19	8 60	2,179 87	89 58	1,785 87	22 50	.....	184 50
Mathews.....	128 70	11 70	1,280 50	20 20	1,828 08	812 21	.....	108 00
Middlesex.....	78 80	90	8,774 17	.....	2,519 45	20 00	.....	.....
Nansemond.....	9 90	.....	606 60	.....	1,452 42	.....	.....	.....
New Kent.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	125 41	.....	.....	.....
Norfolk County.....	48 20	.....	977 08	10 80	659 88	15 00	60 00	176 25
Norfolk City.....	.....	.....	186 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Northampton.....	180 00	.....	465 08	14 25	2,045 67	22 50	.....	10 40
Northumberland.....	8,107 80	10 80	980 46	1,454 22	1,913 21	45 00	.....	.....
Portsmouth City.....	.....	.....	122 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Princess Anne.....	112 50	.....	34 20	.....	1,044 18	10 00	.....	16 45
Richmond County.....	219 60	.....	617 40	81 27	1,873 64	776 40	41 07	41 65
Warwick.....	9 90	.....	629 48	.....	8,714 51	81 68	.....	.....
Westmoreland.....	63 90	8 10	519 40	770 84	245 08	.....	.....	.....
York.....	18 90	1 80	584 81	.....	3,514 11	.....	.....	.....
Sta. Ford.....	9 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	\$ 7,434 59	\$ 707 60	\$19,087 14	\$ 4,681 40	\$89,210 80	\$ 1,450 54	\$ 173 68	\$ 581 65

Total.....	\$73,266 90
Net sales from schooner Tangier.....	414 00
Collected—Overcharge bill of George W. Duvall & Co. on steamer Accomac.....	10 00
Towing steamer Chesapeake.....	115 00
Sales of metal tubs by Captain Hudgins.....	102 50
Total amount collected.....	<u>\$73,908 40</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Sum total collected for the eighteen months ending September 30, 1899	<u>\$73,986 40</u>
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OYSTER FUND.

Disbursements for Expenses.

Steamer Chesapeake	\$12,795 52
Steamer Accomac	8,180 53
Schooner Pocomoke	3,753 66
Surveying	15 00
	<u>\$24,744 71</u>

BOARD OF FISHERIES FUND.

Disbursements for Expenses.

Frank Fletcher (salary).....	\$ 1,800 00
Frank Fletcher (expenses).....	281 33
S. F. Miller (salary)	1,500 00
S. F. Miller (expenses).....	718 57
George B. Keezell (expenses).....	347 50
Pembroke Pettit (expenses).....	155 91
John A. Curtis (expenses).....	87 82
R. A. Ayers (expenses).....	25 00
W. C. Skinner (messenger salary).....	216 66
Robert McCandlish (attorney's fees).....	100 00
Office expenses, including furniture, rent, stationery, etc.....	352 29
For plats of oyster-planting grounds.....	50 00
For printing annual report to Governor.....	15 55
	<u>\$30,397 34</u>

Total expenditures for Oyster and Board of Fisheries fund... \$42 509 06

The Board has spent during the eighteen months it has had charge of the Oyster and Fish interests out of the \$20,000 per year appropriated by the Legislature the sum of \$24,744.71; and out of the \$4,000 per year appropriated for expenses of the Board the sum of \$5,652.63.

The Board in its effort to execute the law has found difficulties in some of the oyster sections, and has been met with resistance of the law. The effect of this is to embarrass the Board in the proper collection of the revenue. We beg leave to offer for your consideration some suggestions as to changes of the law, which, in our opinion, would be beneficial to the industries, and enable the State to collect from them a larger and more satisfactory revenue.

We recommend the employment of a competent surveyor, subject to the direction of the Board, whose duty it shall be to resurvey and plat all of the planting ground of the State, and to furnish to the Board of Fisheries such evidence as to the amount of planting ground held in the State as will enable it, through its inspectors, to better collect the revenue due the State from rents of planting ground.

We recommend the adoption by the Legislature of the constitutional amendment passed by the last Legislature and submitted to your honorable body, repealing section 2, Article X., of the Constitution. This, in our judgment, would enable the Board to collect from the tongers who work upon the natural rocks a reasonable revenue without the friction and trouble which now confront the Board in its effort to execute the law, and would impose no additional burden upon these tongmen who now comply with the law.

We recommend a license for the privilege of taking clams, and the tax to be so adjusted as to give the privilege of taking oysters from the natural rocks, beds, and shoals during the oyster season, to the parties taking out clamming license.

We recommend that the cull law be so amended as to put a fine upon the purchaser or other person in whose possession the small oysters and shells shall be found, as well as upon the parties taking the same from the natural rocks.

We think the law should be so amended as to make the reservation to riparian owners uniform throughout the State.

The law should be so amended that any planter having an assignment of planting ground, in default six months after his rent becomes due and payable, shall forfeit all his rights and title to such assignment.

We think the tax imposed by law upon planted oysters and shells assessed and collected by the inspectors should be returned to the Board of Fisheries, as other revenue from the oyster industry.

In the judgment of the Board, the bond required of inspectors is excessive, and should be reduced.

The Board recognizes that in violation of the law, seed oysters are being taken out of the State—notably from the James river—and the Board is unable to prevent this under existing law, and with the present police force.

The license tax for taking crabs with scrapes should be so amended as to include the use of nets and other like devices.

We think the supply of food fish in the waters of the Commonwealth would be greatly increased if the Board had at its disposal the means to

establish a hatchery, or hatcheries, at some suitable point in tidewater; and we recommend an appropriation for this object.

There are a number of minor changes in the law of more or less importance, many of them of a local character, which will be brought to the attention of the General Assembly, but with which we do not think it best to encumber this report.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

DR. FRANK FLETCHER (chairman),
S. F. MILLER (Secretary),
GEORGE B. KEEZELL,
PEMBROKE PETTIT,
JOHN A. CURTIS.

First Annual Report of the Board of Fisheries.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,
OFFICE OF THE STATE BOARD OF FISHERIES,
NORFOLK, VA., September 1, 1899.

To His Excellency, J. HOGE TYLER,

Governor of Virginia:

SIR:

In accordance with the requirements of the act creating the Board of Fisheries, we have the honor to transmit herewith the first annual report of the Board for the year ending March 31, 1899.

The Board, upon its organization, found it necessary to reduce the number of police vessels, it being apparent that the number in service could not be maintained within the appropriation at our disposal. It was also found necessary to reduce the current monthly expenses of running the police force retained.

The General Assembly, at the session of 1897 and 1898 reduced the annual appropriation and stipulated the specific sum of \$20,000 annually for the fiscal years beginning October 1, 1897, and ending September 30, 1899, for these purposes.

Out of the sum of \$40,000 thus appropriated for the two fiscal years cited, the Board of the Chesapeake and its tributaries turned over to the Board of Fisheries the sum of \$4,397, as of April 1, 1898, as the unexpended balance of the \$20,000 appropriated by the Legislature for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 1897, and ending September 30, 1898, thus leaving for the use of the Board for all the expenses of the navy for eighteen months the sum of \$24,397.

The Board, therefore, in its discretion, and in order to enable it, if possible, to keep within the appropriation, and to meet these necessary requirements, dispensed with the schooner Tangier, and sold her.

The net proceeds of the sale (\$414) was paid into the State Treasury.

To further meet the requirements the force was reduced on the two steamers and vessel retained, and reduction made in the salaries of some of the officers. It must, therefore, be apparent to your Excellency that the Board has labored under great disadvantages.

The general work and duties imposed upon the Board have been varied and arduous, its creation by the General Assembly being a radical departure from the usual custom in Virginia concerning the enforcement of the laws in relation to the fish and oyster industries, which the laws enacted have been designed to foster and protect successfully; as well as for the purposes of collecting the revenues due the State therefrom, and, if possible, put them upon a stable and satisfactory basis to the people of all sections of the Commonwealth.

The facts are obvious, that for the past ten or twelve years these laws had so failed of proper execution as to have become a source of great dissatisfaction in a very large degree to the people of all sections of the State. It was, therefore, in the wisdom of the General Assembly deemed necessary and best to create the Board of Fisheries, and place these important industries and the enforcement of the laws in relation thereto in its hands, in order that the natural oyster beds, rocks, and shoals, and planting grounds of the bays and rivers belonging to the Commonwealth be made to yield a fair net revenue above the annual expenditures of running the police force for the protection of those engaged in these industries.

There was still further added to the duties of the Board for enforcement an amendment to the fishing laws creating a license tax for the privilege of fishing and crabbing in the waters of the State with certain fixed devices regulated by the Act of February 3, 1898. These laws had not before been tried in Virginia, and met with much opposition on the part of some of those directly engaged in the industry of pound-net fishing, by a refusal to pay the license imposed, based upon the unconstitutionality of the act. Opposition was also manifested by those fishing in the waters of the Potomac river with liked fixed devices. This opposition, however, was not made under the general law, but it was specifically charged by those refusing to pay the license imposed, that there must be concurrent legislation on the part of the State of Maryland to enable the State of Virginia to enforce her laws against those fishing in the waters of the Potomac river.

Under these conditions the Board has been compelled to institute legal proceedings in the courts against those refusing to pay the license or the collection of fines. The result has been that a large number of cases have been, and are still, pending before the courts. There also exists strenuous opposition on the part of the oyster tongmen in a few of our counties to paying the license tax imposed upon the weekly sales of oysters caught from the natural oyster rocks in the manner prescribed by law. Legal proceedings have been instituted against all such parties. There is, however, great difficulty in getting these cases tried and disposed of through the county courts.

There has been in the past, and still exists, great dissatisfaction on the part of the tongmen, charging that planters in some cases are extending their stakes out, thus without warrant of law taking up the natural oyster-rocks.

beds, and shoals, as defined by the Baylor survey; the State, of course, getting no rental upon the excess of acreage held beyond the original assignment and survey. These conditions very largely exist because of a failure on the part of the State at the time of having the Baylor survey made, to have the lines defining and separating the natural oyster-rocks from that which was designated as planting grounds marked by fixed and permanent buoys. The Board has in several instances been called on by the tongmen, through the inspectors, to have the Baylor lines re-established, the parties making the request agreeing to pay the cost of the survey.

The Act of March 4, 1898, in relation to the registration of persons, and imposing a license tax for the registration of boats for the privilege of taking oysters from the ocean side of the counties of Accomac and Northampton, is also an addition to the previous oyster laws. The Board, however, has the honor to report that it meets with little or no opposition on the part of those directly engaged in the business, but, on the contrary, they express a willingness to have the registration fee increased, if necessary, in order to give them the desired protection, and to give to the State a fair net revenue in excess of the required expenditures for the special police regulations furnished.

There was collected under said act during the year ending March 31, 1899, about \$1,300, out of which sum the Board was required to expend so much as in their judgment might be necessary to properly police and protect the States interested against unlawful depredations and violations of the laws. It was strongly urged upon the Board that if such violations of the laws were effectually prevented that a much larger area of planting grounds would be taken up, thus increasing the revenue to the State. For this purpose, and as provided under the act, the Board appropriated out of the revenues collected from this source the sum of \$670.

The fishing industries of the State, both in the tidal waters and inland streams, require the attention of the Board in the matter of propagating and stocking the waters with fish in order that the supply of food fish may be increased, for which there is great need, from information gathered by the Board. The Board has been in communication with the United States Commission, and have every reason to believe that if the General Assembly will appropriate a reasonable sum for this purpose, that the United States Fish Commission will, as it has done in other States, very largely aid the Board of Fisheries in erecting suitable stations and hatcheries along the Chesapeake bay. The Board has already arranged with the United States Fish Commission for a supply of young fish to be deposited in the inland streams of the State during the fall under the direction and supervision of the Board.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

The Board has the honor to make to your Excellency the following financial report, showing the disbursement of the unexpended balance of \$4,397 on hand to the credit of the Board from the appropriation of \$20,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1898; and, also, the disbursement of the appropriation of the sum of \$20,000 for the fiscal year ending Septem-

ber 30, 1899, for the support and maintenance of the oyster police force—to wit:

Appropriation	\$24,397 00
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OYSTER FUND.

Disbursements.

Steamer Chesapeake.....	\$ 8,442 04
Steamer Accomac	5,472 28
Schooner Pocomoke	2,354 33
L. Foster (surveying).....	15 00
	\$16,283 65

Balance on hand from sum appropriated for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1899.....	\$ 8,113 35
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BOARD OF FISHERIES FUND.

Sum appropriated for expenses of Board from April 1, 1898, to March 31, 1899.....	\$ 4,000 00
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EXPENDITURES.

Dr. Frank Fletcher, chairman (salary).....	\$ 1,200 00
Dr. Frank Fletcher (expense).....	206 33
S. F. Miller, secretary (salary).....	1,000 00
S. F. Miller (expenses).....	524 39
George B. Keezell (expenses).....	226 90
Pembroke Pettit (expenses).....	87 50
John A. Curtis (expenses).....	56 36
R. A. Ayers (expenses).....	25 00
William C. Skinner, messenger (salary).....	216 66
Robert McCandlish (attorney fees).....	100 00
Office expenses, including furniture, rent, stationery, etc.	259 99
	\$ 3,904 08

Balance on hand from the sum thus appropriated for this year, ending March 31, 1899.....	\$ 95 92
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REVENUE FROM COUNTIES AND CITIES.

Collections made from all sources to the credit of the oyster fund for the year ending March 31, 1899, and tabulated alphabetically as to the several counties and cities embraced in the oyster district, as provided by law:

Accomac county.....	\$ 6,964 57
Elizabeth City county.....	4,850 84
Essex county	563 48
Gloucester county.	4,551 58
Isle of Wight county.....	1,459 17
James City county.....	594 72
King George county.....	483 15
King and Queen county.....	735 18
Lancaster county.....	3,264 15
Mathews county.....	2,125 46
Middlesex county.....	3,935 61
Nansemond county.....	1,631 08
New Kent county.....	114 29
Norfolk county.....	1,093 31
Norfolk city.....	312 91
Northampton county.....	2,879 54
Northumberland county.....	5,138 38
Portsmouth city.....	88 13
Princess Anne county.....	995 30
Richmond county	1,960 16
Stafford county.....	9 90
Warwick county.....	3,338 30
Westmoreland county.....	1,248 47
York county.....	3,408 26
Collected from old reports due by inspectors prior to April 1, 1898..	2,048 05
Sale of schooner Tangier (net).....	414 00
Commissions on bills for work done on steamer Accomac by George W. Duvall & Co.....	10 00
Towing done by steamer Chesapeake.....	115 00
Sale of metal tubs, by Captain Hudgins.....	102 50
Total amount collected.....	\$54,435 69

The sum of \$115, collected from towing, as shown, was not paid into the State Treasury, but has been applied as follows: \$40 was paid by order of the Board on account of a coal bill for steamer Chesapeake. The balance of \$75 remains in the hands of the Secretary of the Board, having been retained in case of necessity on account of shortage of appropriation of the oyster fund—\$115.

Total amount collected and paid into the State Treasury.....	\$54,320 69
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RECAPITULATION.

Showing the sum total of collections for the year ending March	
1, 1899, and which has been paid into the State Treasury....	\$54,320 69
Total amount of expenditures for the support and	
maintenance of the police force for the year	
ending March 31, 1899.....	\$16,268 65
Survey bill (L. Foster).....	15 00
Expenses Board of Fisheries.....	3,904 08
	\$20,187 73
Net amount of revenue to credit of oyster fund for the year	
ending March 31, 1899.....	34,132 96
Add the sum of \$115, as shown having been collected from towing,	
but which has not been paid into the treasury.....	115 00
	\$34,247 96

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK FLETCHER, M. D. (chairman),
S. F. MILLER (Secretary),
GEO. B. KEEZELL,
PEMBROKE PETTIT,
JOHN A. CURTIS.

COMMUNICATION

FROM THE

Auditor of Public Accounts

RESPONSIVE TO

RESOLUTION OF SENATE CALLING FOR A STATE-
MENT SHOWING THE INDEBTEDNESS OF COUNTY
AND CITY TREASURERS TO THE COMMON-
WEALTH ON THE 1ST DAY OF AUGUST,
1899, AND 1ST DAY OF DECEMBER, 1899.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,
OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS,
RICHMOND, VA., *December 30, 1899.*

HON. EDWARD ECHOLS,
President of the Senate.

SIR:

In obedience to a resolution of your honorable body, adopted on the 20th inst., I have the honor to hand you herewith a statement showing the indebtedness to the State of county and city treasurers on the first day of August, 1899, and on the first day of December, 1899.

Very respectfully,

MORTON MARYE,
Auditor of Public Accounts.

A STATEMENT

Showing the indebtedness of County and City Treasurers to the Commonwealth on the 1st day of August, 1899, and 1st day of December, 1899, prepared by Morton Marye, Auditor of Public Accounts, in obedience to a resolution of the Senate of Virginia, adopted December 20, 1899.

COUNTIES AND CITIES.	NAME OF TREASURER.	Due Aug. 1, 1899.	Due Dec. 1, 1899.
Albemarle.....	Wingfield, J. R.....	\$ 6,325 40	\$ 1,001 87
Alexandria.....	Wibert, W. C.....	*4,610 76	475 93
Alleghany.....	Fudge, J. T.....	*6,766 19	.....
Appomattox.....	Robertson, D. M.....	*2,803 09	1,719 77
Augusta.....	McFarland, J. N.....	2,913 86	.....
Bath.....	Bonner, J. W.....	4,662 97	3,235 38
Bedford.....	Price, S. H.....	*6,782 75	583 03
Bland.....	Stowers, G. W.....	594 96	.....
Brunswick.....	Lewis, E. B.....	427 92	427 92
Buchanan.....	Boyd, E. K.....	737 51	.....
Campbell.....	Clay, John W.....	2,728 31	1,126 07
Caroline.....	Smith, C. T.....	314 61	.....
Charles City.....	Babcock, C. L.....	1,952 21	102 36
Chesterfield.....	Gilliam, J. P.....	6,755 05	370 00
Clarke.....	Bradford, W. A.....	7,325 24	88 40
Culpeper.....	Smith, S. R.....	12,568 92	1,813 88
Cumberland.....	Flippin, O. G.....	1,079 17	66 09
Dinwiddie.....	Harris, John Y.....	*3,115 81	1,015 16
Elizabeth City.....	Jones, Jesse S.....	*675 52	675 52
Essex.....	Street, W. H.....	1,853 67	188 50
Fairfax.....	Wiley, Robert.....	921 66	.....
Fauquier.....	Hamilton, Hugh.....	716 36	.....
Floyd.....	Poff, W. A.....	96 82	.....
Fluvanna.....	Cowherd, T. E.....	368 97	368 97
Giles.....	Woods, W. J.....	3,526 37	420 64
Gloucester.....	Perrin, W. K.....	6,038 95	3,091 03
Goochland.....	Turner, R. N.....	*3,345 19	3,345 19
Greene.....	Sims, E. W.....	1,021 64	.....
Halifax.....	Sneed, H. H.....	3,326 46	.....
Henrico.....	Brauer, W. H.....	9,889 67	2,139 05
Henry.....	Sanders, J. L.....	2,711 23	999 77
Highland.....	Jones, J. A.....	133 49	15 00
Isle of Wight.....	Roberts, J. W.....	1,838 15	.....
James City.....	Wynne, Thos. G.....	639 71	.....
King George.....	Ninde, F. F.....	408 18	.....
King and Queen.....	Porter, C. W.....	551 41	201 41
King William.....	Palmer, R. J.....	274 67	.....
Louisa.....	Richardson, B. F.....	4,170 00	.....
Madison.....	Smith, F. R.....	*4,377 90	.....
Mathews.....	Thomas, L. C.....	2,890 82	2,890 82
Middlesex.....	Purkins, W. H.....	846 58	183 99

INDEBTEDNESS OF COUNTY AND CITY TREASURERS—CONTINUED.

COUNTIES AND CITIES.	NAME OF TREASURER.	Due Aug. 1, 1899.	Due Dec. 1, 1899.
Montgomery	Haynes, J. C.	*\$2,190 95	\$.....
Nelson	Peebles, J. R.	*4,402 41	4,202 41
Norfolk	Lyons, S. W.	6,626 72	.....
Northampton	Wise, J. B.	1,106 20	.....
Northumberland	Booth, J. M.	93 74	63 68
Nottoway	Powell, J. L.	473 71	473 71
Page	McKim, A. W.	5,116 95	.....
Powhatan	Swann, M. F.	*1,155 25	1,155 25
Princess Anne	Woodhouse, J. T.	402 69	.....
Pulaski	Stone, H. L.	*14,770 64	9,876 81
Rappahannock	Wood, B. J.	1,946 43	946 43
Richmond	Garland, Frank	2,555 04	.....
Roanoke	Muse, Geo. M.	2,529 38	.....
Rockbridge	Moore, S. R.	1,325 10	.....
Rockingham	Reherd, P. W.	370 16	.....
Russell	Gilmer, V. B.	1,441 84	.....
Shenandoah	Koontz, Geo. W.	2,523 85	92 14
Smyth	Stone, A. F.	25 72	25 72
Spotsylvania	Dillard, W. G.	111 67	.....
Stafford	Chesley, H. G.	*2,448 29	.....
Surry	Bohannon, A. P.	178 92	21 32
Tazewell	Gillespie, R. K.	2,896 71	.....
Warren	Richardson, M. C.	1,981 38	981 38
Warwick	Curtis, J. M.	443 23	.....
Washington	Withers, S. M.	1,459 76	.....
Westmoreland	Hardwick, S. B.	2,166 46	.....
Wise	Skeen, J. B.	442 14	.....
CITIES.			
Alexandria	Harlow, M. B.	2,712 65	207 11
Buena Vista	Burks, A. O.	1,790 89	.....
Danville	Geoghegan, Geo. P.	*2,416 17	302 88
Lynchburg	Bransford, J. W.	6,164 56	350 74
Manchester	Bronaugh, J. W.	1,989 06	118 74
Newport News	Curtis, J. M.	891 97	291 97
Norfolk	Herman, H. S.	6,124 25	.....
Petersburg	Slaughter, C. A.	*1,431 39	.....
Portsmouth	Tabb, Geo. A.	7,242 71	.....
Richmond	Phillips, C. H.	5,735 08	.....
Roanoke	Thomas, C. W.	*21,351 54	2,387 98
Staunton	Hoge, Arista	550 41	.....
Williamsburg	Wynne, Thos. G.	163 35	.....

* When insolvent and delinquent lists have not been received, but estimated by those of previous years.

ABSTRACT
OF THE
RETURNS OF CLERKS OF COURTS
TO THE
CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

OFFICE OF CLERK OF HOUSE OF DELEGATES,

RICHMOND, VA., *December 6, 1899.*

To the General Assembly:

I respectfully submit a condensed abstract of reports of the clerks of courts which are required to be made to the clerk of the House of Delegates by section 3189 of the Code of Virginia. The reports herein embraced are for the years ending August 31, 1898, and August 31, 1899, respectively.

T. H. BIGGER,
Clerk of House of Delegates.

ABSTRACT

From the reports of the Clerks of the Supreme Court of Appeals, Corporation and Circuits Courts for the year ending August 31, 1898, exhibiting the state of suits in their respective Courts.

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS.

JUDGES.	CLERKS.	LOCATION OF COURTS.	APPEALS, WRITS OF ERROR AND SUPERSEDEAS.						Days of Session.
			No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. interlocutory decrees and orders.	No. final decrees and judgments.	No. removed from other courts.	No. removed to other courts.	
Richard H. Cardwell.....	Geo. K. Taylor.....	Richmond.....	71	139	.....	.....	11	3	117
John A. Buchanan.....	Jos. A. Waddell.....	Staunton.....	30	41	.....	25	.....	.....	21
George M. Harrison.....	W. G. G. Lowry.....	Wytheville.....							
John W. Riely.....									
James Keith									

* Note No. 4. No. cases decided, 93. Supreme Court, Richmond.

CORPORATION COURTS.

JUDGES.	CLERKS.	CITIES.	ACTIONS AT LAW.				SUITS IN EQUITY.				PROSECUTIONS.				DATE OF SESSION.				REMARKS.					
			No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. decided.	No. removed from other courts.	No. removed to other courts.	No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. decided.	No. nolle prosequi.	Changes of venue from the court.	Changes of venue to the court.	No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. decided.	Fall term.	Spring term.		Intermediate or special terms.	Total.			
Samuel B. With.....	Walter Christian.....	Richmond.....	88	59	139	83	.....	6	56	24	2	.....	.....	109	201	215	60	.....	.....	11	21	30	258	
R. T. W. Duke.....	R. W. Duke.....	Charlottesville.....	32	8	31	3	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	4	17	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	62	
J. O. Shepherd.....	D. H. Tucker.....	Buena Vista.....	286	30	238	1	3	141	129	117	141	1	.....	63	8	49	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	32	
A. M. Aiken.....	W. M. Rison.....	Danville.....	269	30	238	12	.....	20	102	114	21	1	.....	.....	12	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	116	
R. E. Patten.....	C. T. Phillips.....	Portsmouth.....	40	29	52	.....	.....	42	186	106	72	1	.....	51	6	50	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	186	
R. R. R. Prentiss.....	Robert Gilliam.....	Petersburg.....	54	11	59	.....	.....	102	286	270	61	.....	.....	53	84	62	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	212	
J. M. Mullen.....	S. S. Brooke.....	Roanoke.....	204	88	167	.....	.....	88	252	167	61	.....	.....	53	13	41	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	204	
F. W. Woods.....	S. G. Wingfield.....	Lynchburg.....	99	38	189	1	.....	12	100	39	7	.....	.....	6	2	6	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	96	
J. P. Christian.....	James P. Corbin.....	Fredericksburg.....	7	3	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200	
A. W. Wallace.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	

CIRCUIT COURTS.—CONTINUED.

CIRCUIT.	JUDGES.	CLERKS.	COUNTIES AND CITIES.	ACTIONS AT LAW.				SUITS IN EQUITY.				PROSECUTIONS.				DAYS OF SESSION.				REMARKS.
				No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. decided.	No. removed from other courts.	No. removed from other courts.	No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. decided.	No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. decided.	No. nolle prosequi.	Changes of venue from the court.	Fall term.	Spring term.	Intermediate or special terms.	
4	S. G. Whittle.....	S. S. Hurt.....	Pittsylvania.....	70	37	74	.....	135	514	358	197	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	4	7	7
		C. R. Martin.....	Patrick.....	9	1	6	.....	28	198	119	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	2	5
		Wm. Bison.....	Danville.....	3	1	3	.....	18	18	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	4
		S. G. Wingfield.....	Lynchburg.....	45	12	46	6	6	18	44	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11	9	1	21
			Total 4th Circuit..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Fifth Circuit abolished.			.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
6	Daniel A. Grimsley...	Z. K. Page.....	Greene.....	11	7	13	.....	17	67	57	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	4	.....	6
		E. W. Duce.....	Albemarle.....	42	28	65	.....	25	690	186	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10	7	6	23
		E. B. McGinnis.....	Nichter.....	16	4	14	.....	31	341	37	45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....
		C. S. Stevens.....	Nelson.....	36	2	34	.....	38	361	261	80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	2	12
		Wm. Sander.....	Fuquanna.....	30	34	24	.....	18	181	47	11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	6	49
		Warren E. Coonk.....	Culpeper.....	57	36	81	.....	37	229	151	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	13	.....
		P. H. Fry.....	Orange.....	26	10	10	.....	23	197	47	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	3	8
			Total 6th Circuit..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
7	B. R. Wellford, Jr.....	Jno. F. Broadburr.	Henrico.....	67	34	50	.....	2	61	432	107	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	64	65	76	205
			Total 7th Circuit..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Note 1.

	Note No. 2.										Note No. 3.									
8 J. W. G. Blackstone.....	J. N. Harris.....	44	20	46	.....	4	60	23	16	.....	2	.....	2	.....	2	.....	2			
	John D. Grant.....	13	22	18	.....	8	52	99	39	.....	2	.....	2	.....	2	.....	2			
	T. H. Gaddy.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18	60	55	27	.....	4	.....	4	.....	4	.....	4			
	Total 8th circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
9 T. R. B. Wright.....	B. T. Taylor.....	4	9	7	.....	8	58	30	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	H. Southworth.....	9	24	7	.....	10	96	65	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Wm. S. Gralle.....	9	24	7	.....	8	283	40	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Total 9th circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
10 John E. Mason.....	J. Warren Hutt.....	8	3	5	.....	24	102	21	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	L. D. Warner.....	3	6	8	.....	4	61	18	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	H. Parsons.....	14	12	26	.....	1	28	241	139	48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Jas. P. Corbin.....	1	5	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	J. P. H. Crismond.....	1	5	3	.....	1	31	12	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	E. L. Hunter.....	2	3	1	.....	3	150	9	37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Total 10th circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
11 Charles E. Nicol.....	E. L. Bennett.....	54	13	51	.....	30	155	256	54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	John R. Turner.....	40	56	60	.....	34	306	231	51	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Total 11th circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
12 Thomas W. Harrison.....	John M. Gibson.....	33	28	46	.....	22	141	97	24	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	George W. Milley.....	56	42	94	.....	62	363	198	63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Total 12th circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
13 S. H. Letcher.....	Buena Vista.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Rockbridge.....	31	6	33	.....	33	322	263	55	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	R. C. Matheny.....	30	33	33	.....	23	63	60	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	J. J. Hobbs.....	74	14	76	.....	32	173	100	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Allegany.....	128	32	27	.....	1	127	548	469	184	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Jos. D. Woodward.....	183	74	275	.....	124	785	650	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	D. H. Lee Martin.....	16	9	23	.....	12	70	64	17	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	A. W. Webb.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Total 13th circuit.....	462	136	471	.....	1	351	1958	1000	439	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
14 Henry E. Blair.....	Ranoke.....	70	65	74	.....	17	170	158	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Boetourt.....	19	22	31	.....	41	232	105	90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Total 14th circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
15 Robert C. Jackson.....	R. C. Repass.....	31	23	41	.....	24	163	82	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	J. M. Brown.....	25	30	30	.....	1	26	490	121	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	F. J. Lundy.....	35	5	55	.....	100	298	163	130	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			
	Total 15th circuit.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....			

CIRCUIT COURTS.—CONTINUED.

CIRCUIT.	JUDGES.	CLERKS.	COUNTIES AND CITIES.	ACTIONS AT LAW.				SUITS IN EQUITY.				PROSECUTIONS.						DAYS OF SESSION.				REMARKS.
				No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. decided.	No. removed from other courts.	No. removed to other courts.	No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. decided.	No. nolle prosequis.	Changes of venue from the court.	Changes of venue to the court.	Fall term.	Spring term.	Intermediate or special terms.	Total.				
16	John P. Sheffey	John M. Kreger..... John R. Sexton.....	Washington	103	80	121	11	112	568	478	142	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	57	Winter Term 22		
			Smythe.....	37	21	44	1	48	259	92	60	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59			
			Total 16th circuit..																			
17	W. T. Miller.....	W. E. Kilgore..... C. W. Powers.....	Wise.....	40	34	34	.....	86	214	171	120	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24			
			Dickson.....	14	34	17	.....	19	194	53	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	9			
			Total 17th circuit..																			
18	James A. Dupuy.....	John M. Speece.....	Bedford	34	23	41	.....	77	632	328	63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	29			

NOTES.

NOTE No. 1—*Sixth Circuit*.—Amherst: There was no April term in 1898, the date having been changed to 25th May, at which term there were 118 interlocutory decrees.

NOTE No. 2—*Eighth Circuit*.—Accomac: The fall term was not held, because of the illness of the judge, who died.

NOTE No. 3—*Thirteenth Circuit*.—City of Buena Vista: The circuit court of Buena Vista was established at the session of the General Assembly of 1897-98, and but one term has been held, viz.: July 5th, 1898.

COUNTIES AND CITIES

FROM WHICH

NO REPORTS RECEIVED.

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS.

Wytheville.

CORPORATION COURTS.

Manchester, Bristol, Newport News, Winchester, Staunton, Alexandria, Norfolk.

CIRCUIT COURTS.

First Circuit.—Isle of Wight, Norfolk City.

Second Circuit.—Brunswick, Dinwiddie, Nottoway, Sussex.

Third Circuit.—Appomattox, Buckingham, Mecklenburg.

Fourth Circuit.—Campbell, Franklin, Halifax, Henry.

Sixth Circuit.—Goochland, Madison.

Eighth Circuit.—Charles City, Elizabeth City, Northampton, Warwick, York
Newport News.

Ninth Circuit.—Gloucester, King William, Lancaster, Mathews, Middlesex.

Tenth Circuit.—Caroline, Hanover, Stafford.

Eleventh Circuit.—Alexandria County, Fairfax, Prince William, Rappahannock.
Alexandria City.

Twelfth Circuit.—Frederick, Page, Warren, Winchester.

Thirteenth Circuit.—Bath, Staunton.

Fourteenth Circuit.—Floyd, Montgomery, Roanoke, Radford.

Fifteenth Circuit.—Giles, Pulaski, Tazewell, Wythe.

Sixteenth Circuit.—Russell, Bristol.

Seventeenth Circuit.—Buchanan, Lee, Scott.

ABSTRACT

From the reports of Clerks of the Supreme Court of Appeals, Corporation and Circuit Courts, for the year ending August 31st, 1899, exhibiting the state of suits in their respective Courts.

SUPREME COURT OF APPEALS.

JUDGES.	CLERKS.	LOCATION OF COURTS.	APPEALS, WRITS OF ERROR AND SUPERSEDEAS.						Days of Session.
			No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. interlocutory decrees and orders	No. final decrees and judgments.	No. removed from other courts.	No. removed to other courts.	
Richard H. Cardwell.....	Jos. A. Waddell	Staunton.....	24	37	.....	25	2	1	25
John A. Buchanan.....	W. G. G. Lowry.....	Wytheville.....	33	30	.....	.....	1	3	136
George M. Harrison.....	Geo. K. Taylor	Richmond.....	75	117	.....	.....	2	1	196
John W. Riely.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
James Keith.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

* Note No. 2. † Note No. 4. ‡ Note No. 6.

CIRCUIT COURTS.

CIRCUIT.	JUDGES.	CLERKS.	COUNTIES AND CITIES.	ACTIONS AT LAW.				SUITS IN EQUITY.				PROSECUTIONS.						DAYS OF SESSION.				REMARKS.
				No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. decided.	No. removed from other courts.	No. removed to other courts.	No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. interlocutory decrees.	No. final decrees.	No. removed from other courts.	No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. decided.	No. nolle prosequis.	Changes of venue from the court.	Changes of venue to the court.	Fall term.	Spring term.		Intermediate or special terms.	Total.
1	Robt. R. Prentiss.....	C. T. Phillips..... A. E. Kellum..... A. F. Goner..... N. F. Young..... L. A. Gay..... L. M. Sylvester.....	Portsmouth..... Princess Anne..... Nansemond..... Isle of Wight..... Southampton..... Norfolk county.....	7 13 47 11 31 77	4 8 27 3 8 63	9 11 42 11 37 114	 1	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	1 17 25 25 38 46	16 74 157 73 166 167	8 28 63 19 73 103	6 19 10 25 29 35	1 1 ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....
2	B. A. Hancock.....	W. D. Temple..... A. M. Orgain..... E. H. Flournoy..... Robt. Gilliam..... L. P. Hargrave..... E. S. Deane..... A. S. Edwards..... James A. Tilman.....	Prince George..... Dinwiddie..... Chesterfield..... Petersburg..... Sussex..... Nottoway..... Surry..... Powhatan.....	8 1 12 4 22 23 14 9	1 1 12 16 8 13 23 23	10 1 8 19 19 32 14 8	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	12 11 14 1 12 18 8 201	69 28 118 14 40 66 65 32	18 28 118 6 13 16 10 45	8 6 14 3 16 10 10 3	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....	..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... ..... .....
3	George J. Hundley... E. H. Coleman..... George T. Peers.....	W. H. Thackston..... E. H. Coleman..... George T. Peers.....	Prince Edward..... Amelia..... Appomattox.....	20 6 8	27 11 6	10 6 8	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	14 19 28	212 183 87	56 93 47	12 9 8	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....	..... ..... .....

CIRCUIT COURTS.—CONTINUED.

CIRCUIT.	JUDGES.	CLERKS.	COUNTIES AND CITIES.	ACTIONS AT LAW.				SUITS IN EQUITY.				PROSECUTIONS.					DATES OF SESSION.				REMARKS.				
				No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. decided.	No. removed from other courts.	No. removed to other courts.	No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. interlocutory decrees.	No. final decrees.	No. removed from other courts.	No. removed to other courts.	No. commenced.	No. pending.	No. decided.	No. nolle prosequi.	Changes of venue from the court.	Changes of venue to the court.		Fall term.	Spring term.	Intermediate or special terms.	Total.
3	George J. Hundley...	John L. Yates... J. C. Carrington... W. H. C. Walker... J. B. Flippin... P. A. Forbes...	Lunenburg..... Charlotte..... Mecklenburg..... Cumberland..... Buckingham..... Total 3rd circuit...	10 18 8 10 18	7 5 12 24 38	9 24 19 12 23																			
4	S. G. Whittle.....	S. S. Hart... J. R. Gregory... James H. Medley... Wm. Rison... S. G. Wingfield... C. R. Martin... Patrick... John E. Withers...	Pittsylvania..... Henry..... Halifax..... Danville..... Lynchburg..... Patrick... Campbell..... Total 4th circuit.	73 28 45 16 7 39	37 16 36 18 2 2 28	71 33 50 22 6 8 19	1 2																		
5	Fifth Circuit abolished.																								
6	Daniel A. Grimaley...	Z. K. Page... E. B. McDinnis... Wm. Rison... M. W. Grister...	Green..... Ashe..... Nelson..... Madison..... Total 6th circuit.	4 97 66 56	14 15 6 10	10 14 11 11	1																		

7	B. R. Wellford, Jr.....	Wm. Solter..... Wm. E. Coons..... P. H. Fry..... R. W. Duke.....	6 20 31 39 54 11 11 40	20 52	16 182 1 117 324 908 202 38 25 694	58 18 22 22 204 22	1 2	2	5 5 9 2 2 6 20	10
		Total 6th circuit.								
	Jno. E. Broadus.....	Henrico.....	36 22	52	4 60	475 325	35	1 2	67 65	79 211
		Total 7th circuit.								
8	J. W. G. Blackstone.....	T. T. Hudgins..... J. N. Harris..... J. E. Major..... Clerk City..... J. A. City & Wm. b'g T. H. Smith..... D. G. Smith..... Newport News..... Accomac..... John D. Grant..... W. C. Burham..... S. B. Wood..... R. W. Nottingham.....	6 4 2 2 2 7 6 10 6 8 9 10 29 18 20 2 4 4 18 32 34 1	4 2 7 5 6 1 20 2 7 10 3 33	5 32 9 48 8 62 10 39 9 39 61 159 133 55 2 24 37 98 19 45	17 11 35 8 42 11 46 14 123 55 11 6 11 62 73 45	1 2	1 1 2 2 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	3 3 2 2 1 1 2 2 5 1 9 7 2 1 4 6 2 4	6 4 2 2 3 3 2 2 5 1 4 14 5 21 2 11 6 6
		Total 8th circuit.								
9	T. R. B. Wright.....	A. T. Wiatt..... F. M. Eastman..... B. C. Garrett..... B. T. Taylor..... H. Southworth..... Essex..... Mathews..... Wm. Chilton..... Wm. S. Cralle.....	10 17 6 15 10 10 5 10 11 9 6 4 7 3 4 5 10 27	15 1 10 4 4 2 2 8 7	1 23 20 98 78 78 19 24 10 53 18 94 42 22 5 163 1 9 14 273	16 16 78 18 28 24 33 8 42 22 46 46 35 12 43 4			6 12 3 4 4 6 2 2 12 8 4 5 24 5 4 3	18 5 11 6 10 7 11 8 8 5 9 29 17
		Total 9th circuit.								
10	John E. Mason.....	C. A. Bryan..... L. D. Warner..... T. W. Valentine..... James P. Corbin..... J. P. H. Crismond..... J. Warren Hunt..... J. A. Brown..... Sam'l H. Parsons..... E. L. Hunter.....	6 5 3 5 6 1 1 1 1 5 14 5 9 8 4 6	1 4 5 5 1 1 22 1 4	5 22 6 62 15 137 66 71 133 66 4 18 6 26 28 360 30 253 5 68	7 10 27 15 39 1 66 23 2 13 26 29 124 32 145 92 8 3	1 1		1 1 3 2 2 2 20 4 1 3 3 3 3 4 3 5 2 2	3 5 6 4 38 2 6 6 8 8 8 2 2
		Total 10th circuit.								
11	Charles E. Nicol.....	George H. Rucker..... E. Nelson..... John R. Turner..... Wm. N. Wise..... John S. Beach..... W. E. Graham.....	14 10 15 15 37 38 51 11 4 3 30 7	16 15 65 63 1 27	2 19 16 48 39 308 50 134 10 201 53 143	23 30 8 3 60 71 50 201 40 2 149 47	2 7	2 7 3 2 3 2 7 8 6 6 11 4	8 8 3 4 6 6 6 6 4 4 19	Special T'm. Wm. t'm. 3 Sum'r t'm. 4

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NOTES.

NOTE No. 1.—*Richmond, Va.*: The Hustings Court of the City of Richmond has eleven terms a year (there being no August term), and meets on the first Monday in each month, except September, when it meets on the 20th of the month. The July term generally extends into August.

The great majority of the 299 *nolle prosequis* were in cases for violation of the Revenue law (non-payment of license taxes). The *nolle prosequis* were entered upon the payment of all costs in most of these cases.

NOTE No. 2.—*Supreme Court.*—Staunton: Not including 13 cases pending at Wytheville and Richmond, decided here.

NOTE No. 3.—*Ninth Circuit.*—King William: October term, 1898—days of session, none; November special term, 1898—days of session, 5. All suits on the docket prior to August 1, 1898, are embraced in this report as pending.

NOTE No. 4.—*Supreme Court.*—Wytheville: Number decided and otherwise disposed of, 2; number writs of error in Commonwealth causes commenced, 3; number same finding, 1.

NOTE No. 5.—*Ninth Circuit.*—Northumberland: *Law.*—A judgment on an attachment which was ancillary to a suit. Execution awarded on *sci. fa.*, and an administration account confirmed not included in above figures. The case under head of prosecution that was *nolle prosequi* was an appeal from justice's judgment, and not "commenced" in Circuit Court. In the 27 cases pending 19 of them are against a firm and judgment against part of the partners, and continued as to others.

NOTE No. 6.—*Supreme Court.*—Richmond: Number decided, 105.

NOTE No. 7.—*Second Circuit.*—Greensville: Report not in on account of illness of clerk.

COUNTIES AND CITIES
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CIRCUIT COURTS.

- Seventh Circuit.*—Brunswick, Greenville—See note No. 7.
Fourth Circuit.—Franklin.
Sixth Circuit.—Goochland.
Eleventh Circuit.—Rappahannock.
Twelfth Circuit.—Warren.
Fourteenth Circuit.—Radford.

COMMUNICATION

FROM THE

GOVERNOR OF VIRGINIA

TRANSMITTING

LIST OF PARDONS, COMMUTATIONS, &c., AND REASONS THEREFOR.

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, RICHMOND, VA., *January 30, 1900.*

To the General Assembly:

As required by the constitution of Virginia, I transmit herewith a list of pardons, commutations, &c., granted by me during the two years beginning January 1, 1898, and ending January 1, 1900.

Respectfully,

J. HOGE TYLER,
Governor.

Absolute Pardons.

John Atkinson. Convicted in the police court city of Richmond, January 13, 1898, of petit larceny, and sentenced to four months in jail. Pardoned January 29, 1898, upon the recommendation of the Police Justice, Commonwealth's attorney, and the party against whom the offense was committed, and furthermore, because the prisoner's health was very bad, and longer confinement would cause his death.

William Allen. Convicted in the county court of Mecklenburg, April, 1896, and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1898, upon urgent request of Commonwealth's attorney, who says: "I do not believe him guilty of the offense of which he stands convicted, and have long thought the Governor ought to pardon the fellow."

Joseph H. Allen. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Richmond October, 1898; sentenced to twelve months in jail, and to pay a fine of twenty dollars for resisting an officer. Pardon granted December 3, 1898, at the request of the trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and the policeman whom the prisoner resisted. The prisoner had borne a good reputation, and this was his first infraction of the law.

Faxon Atherton. Convicted in the corporation court of Charlottesville October, 1898, and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary for forgery. Clemency granted January 6, 1899, upon recommendation of judge and Commonwealth's attorney, who believed that the prisoner had already been sufficiently punished.

Preston Armistead. Convicted in the county court of Cumberland July, 1887, on six indictments for burglary and housebreaking, and sentenced to thirty-seven years in the penitentiary. After he had served about twelve years of his sentence it was ascertained that he was absolutely innocent, and a pardon granted him April 10, 1899.

Johnson Alderman. Convicted in the county court of Floyd of unlawful assault, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted March 19, 1898, upon the certificate of the surgeon of the penitentiary that the health of the prisoner is gradually declining and further confinement will prove serious,

and possibly prevent his recovery. His offense was slight, and his punishment has already been sufficient, even if his health was not so precarious.

William Baker. Convicted in the county court of Norfolk county January, 1894, of forgery, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted March 11, 1898, upon the certificate of the surgeon of the penitentiary, who said: "The prisoner is suffering from organic trouble of the heart, and his health is in a precarious condition."

Pomp Burgess. Convicted before a justice of the peace, in Montgomery county, February, 1898, for selling liquor without license, and sentenced to six months in jail, and to pay a fine of one hundred dollars. Pardon granted May 7, 1898, upon recommendation of trial justice, county judge, and Commonwealth's attorney, who say: "The ends of justice have been met, and the prisoner has a helpless family whom he promises to care for when released."

George Boston. Convicted in the county court of Albemarle January, 1897, of house breaking, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted May 9, upon the certificate of the surgeon of the penitentiary, that the prisoner is in the last stages of consumption, and that his end is near.

William Baisden. Convicted in the county court of Buchanan July, 1891, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted May 13, 1898, upon recommendation of the surgeon to State farm, who says: "The prisoner is in the last stages of consumption, and his remaining in confinement makes it very dangerous to the health of the other prisoners. I don't think the man can live over sixty days."

Ned Beverly. Convicted in the corporation court of Roanoke city April, 1896, of rape, and attempted rape, and sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted May 21, 1898, upon recommendation of the surgeon of State farm, who certified that the prisoner was paralyzed in both legs, and totally helpless, and would be cared for by relatives when released. His physical condition was wretched.

Charles Brown. Convicted April, 1891, in the county court of Rappahannock, of house breaking, and sentenced for seven years, five years being added for second offence. Pardon granted May 24, 1898, upon the certificate of the surgeon at State farm, who said the prisoner was in the last stages of consumption, and his detention made it deleterious to the health of the other prisoners.

Willie Brockenbrough. This woman was convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond December, 1897, of petit larceny, and sentenced to nine months in jail. Clemency granted upon recommendation of the jail physician, who certified that the woman was critically ill with typhoid fever, and that he could not treat her properly in jail.

John T. Bishop. Convicted in the corporation court of Norfolk August, 1896, of embezzlement, and sentenced to twelve months in jail, and pardoned December 8, 1898, on account of the ill-health of the prisoner. The trial judge and

Commonwealth's attorney recommended clemency. The prisoner restored half of the money embezzled, and had served nearly half of his term.

Emmett Beale. Convicted in the county court of Southampton November, 1898, of voluntary manslaughter, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted April 27, 1899. Clemency was asked for by the trial judge, the ex-judge, the Commonwealth's attorney, and eleven of the jurors. The prisoner was technically guilty, but the provocation was great. The man killed was a brother-in-law of the prisoner, and was dragging the prisoner's sister forcibly and against her will from her father's home. On account of the youth of the prisoner, whose life the deceased had threatened, and in consideration of the fact that he had previously borne a good reputation, and has served considerable of his term, clemency was granted.

Eugene Barnes. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Richmond January 18, 1899, of embezzlement, and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Pardon granted March 16, 1899. Whilst it may not be best to exercise clemency in cases where willful and premeditated crimes have been committed, there should nevertheless be exceptions to the rule. This youngman in his petition makes full confession of his crime, saying he was led by evil associates at the card table, and that he yielded in moments of weakness. He voluntarily gave himself up to the authorities when he had gotten away from the State. He could have taken a much larger sum of money before leaving, but the sting of conscience was already beginning to burn, and he resisted temptation. He has shown a desire to wipe out, as far as possible, the stain he has put upon his character. His friends and associates, who say his previous life had been irreproachable, believe him sincere. The trial judge and ten of the jury unite in the appeal for clemency. The ends of justice have been met in his conviction and confinement for part of his term, and it is not believed that harm can be done to society by granting clemency in this case.

William Banks. Convicted in the county court of Alleghany March, 1898, and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary for rape. The question of the prisoner's guilt turned alone on the evidence of the prosecutrix. The judge, jury, Commonwealth's attorney, and mayor of the town petitioned for pardon, believing now that the girl was over fourteen. They all bear testimony to the otherwise good character of the prisoner, and state that the girl was, and is, considered a lude character. Pardon granted October 2, 1899.

Thomas F. Burch. Convicted in the county court of Loudoun November, 1899, and sentenced to six months in jail for unlawful shooting. Pardon granted November 22, 1899, upon recommendation of trial judge, seven of the jurors, and over 350 of the prominent citizens of the county. The prisoner was an old man, feeble in mind and body, his health was impaired, and the injury he inflicted was slight.

Earnest H. Breeden. Convicted in the county court of Page of horse stealing, September, 1898, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted December 1, upon recommendation of judge, Commonwealth's attorney,

and jury. The prisoner is of weak mind and a cripple, and the jury would have acquitted him if they could have done so.

Charles E. Chandler. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Richmond April, 1898, of unlawful assault, and sentenced to six months in jail and to pay a fine of five dollars. Pardon granted May 12, 1898, upon recommendation of trial judge and Commonwealth's attorney, and because it is apparent that the ends of justice have been met.

John H. Cox. Convicted in the county court of Washington February, 1893, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary. Clemency granted May 24, 1898, upon recommendation of Dr. A. E. Turman, surgeon to State farm, who says the prisoner is in the last stages of consumption, and his confinement makes it deleterious to the health of the other prisoners.

Samuel Carter. Convicted in the county court of Pittsylvania January, 1896, of malicious burning, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Clemency granted May 24, 1898, upon recommendation of Dr. A. E. Turman, surgeon to State farm, who says the prisoner is in the last stages of consumption, and his confinement makes it deleterious to the health of the other prisoners.

Walter Cox. Convicted in the county court of Grayson of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to nine years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted May 27, 1898. Evidence was discovered after the trial which, had it been produced at the trial, would have resulted in an acquittal of the prisoner, so all the jurors declare. Clemency was requested by many prominent and trustworthy citizens, and the trial judge and Commonwealth's attorney interposed no objection to executive clemency.

Peter Crowder. Convicted of assault and battery in the corporation court of the city of Petersburg. Pardon granted August 20, 1898, on the recommendation of the trial judge, and for the further reason that the prisoner rendered the State service in preventing the escape of a noted criminal.

William Chambers. Convicted in the county court of Norfolk of burglary April, 1893, and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted August 10, 1898, on the recommendation of the physician in charge at the State farm, who says: "The prisoner is suffering with heart disease and dropsy, and his health is in a precarious condition."

William Cook. Convicted in the county court of Wythe April, 1898, of house breaking, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted April, 1898, upon the recommendation of the surgeon to the State farm, who says: "The prisoner is suffering with a diseased spine and rapid consumption, and that his health is in a precarious condition."

William Cox. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond July, 1898, for cruelty to animals, and sentenced to pay a fine of ten dollars, and to be confined in jail for thirty days. Pardon granted upon recommendation of Jus-

tice Crutchfield, the trial officer, and the president of the society for the prevention of cruelty to animals, who state that the confinement would be more "harmful than beneficial." Prisoner stands well in the community, and has a good position open for him. Pardon granted for these reasons, but fine not remitted.

John Carter. Convicted in the county court of Scott February, 1896, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to six years in the penitentiary. Clemency granted November 5, 1898, upon the recommendation of the physician at the penitentiary, who says the "prisoner is feeble both physically and mentally, and was evidently led into trouble by an older brother who had an influence over him. He was badly wounded at the time he committed the offence, and has served over half of his sentence."

Willie Christian. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Lynchburg May, 1898, of petit larceny (second conviction), and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Pardon December 24, 1898. This prisoner was accidentally injured while at work at the penitentiary, and has been a trusty at the capitol for eight months where he served faithfully. For these reasons and on account of his bad health clemency was granted.

R. M. Cary. Convicted in the police court, city of Richmond, March, 1898, for obtaining money under false pretenses, and sentenced to sixteen months in jail. Granted clemency January 26, 1899, because of the ill health of the prisoner, the jail physician certifying that it was necessary to remove the prisoner to a hospital for an operation.

Ross Carter. Convicted in the county court of Washington September, 1899, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary for burglary. Pardon granted April 13, 1899. Prisoner is a cripple, both feet being off. The jury certify that they would have given the prisoner a shorter term if it had been in their power. Commonwealth's attorney and other county officials recommend clemency.

Paul Cook. Convicted in the county court of Halifax April, 1898, of larceny, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted April, 1899. The prisoner is an old man, and was convicted of breaking into a mill and stealing a bushel of meal. The breaking in was only technical, and the prisoner has already served eighteen months in prison. County judge, numerous good citizens, and the party against whom the offence was committed ask for a pardon.

Mary Cook. Convicted in the county court of Loudoun August, 1898, and sentenced to the penitentiary for four years for forgery. Pardon granted March 29, 1899. This girl was scarcely more than a child, not quite fourteen years old at the time of her conviction. She was evidently under the influence of some older person, and not conscious of the extent of her offence. She was barely technically guilty. The amount involved was small, and her father had reimbursed the prosecutrix before the trial. Her pardon was asked for by respectable petitioners, and approved by the trial judge.

Joseph Clayton. Convicted in the county court of Henrico June, 1899, of house breaking, and sentenced to the penitentiary for five years. Pardon granted

July 17, 1899. The prisoner was convicted of breaking into a dwelling house and stealing fifteen cents worth of oranges, and fifteen cents worth of sardines, and on his plea of guilty the jury awarded the lowest penalty. Clemency was granted because the prisoner is a youth of weak mind, was hungry and under the influence of liquor at the time the offence was committed, and because application for pardon was recommended by the trial judge and Commonwealth's attorney.

Mat Crawford. Convicted in the corporation court of Bristol February, 1899, for stealing from the person, and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Pardon granted December 23, 1899. The prisoner had only ten days to serve. He was an exemplary prisoner, and his pardon was granted upon the request of the officers who had charge of him. He was a "trusty" around the capitol square and the governor's mansion.

Willis Davis. Convicted in the county court of Lunenburg July, 1897, of forgery and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. Pardoned June 8, 1898, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, who states that the ends of justice have been met; the Commonwealth's attorney and the jury uniting in the application for clemency.

Mary Day. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Richmond September, 1897, of larceny, and sentenced to eighteen months imprisonment in the penitentiary. The prisoner has served two-thirds of her time. She is of weak mind, having been twice treated in an insane asylum. Pardon granted upon the recommendation of the trial judge, and because her mother desires to take her to Boston and care for her. Granted October 10, 1898.

R. M. Davis. Convicted in the mayor's court of the city of Petersburg August, 1898, and was sentenced to six months in jail and to pay a fine of \$50 dollars for assisting a prisoner to escape. Pardoned October 20, 1898, upon the recommendation of the mayor, who thinks the law has been vindicated, and that the prisoner has suffered sufficiently for the offence.

John W. Davidson. Convicted in the county court of Rockbridge August, 1898, of house breaking. Pardoned November 28, 1898. The trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, the jury, and a large number of the most prominent citizens of the county asked for the pardon on the grounds that the ends of justice have been met. The prisoner has a large family dependent upon him.

John H. Davis. Convicted in the county court of Fauquier March, 1893, of house breaking, and sentenced to twelve months in jail. Pardon granted January 6, 1899, on the recommendation of the trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and several prominent citizens of the county, who think that the ends of justice have been met. The prisoner has only thirty days more to serve.

J. E. Davis. Convicted in the county court of Rockingham September, 1898, of unlawful assault, and sentenced to nine months in jail and fined \$20. Pardoned January 9, 1899, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, and prominent citizens of the county. The judge says: "The shooting was done at his

own house, and under circumstances which showed that he was acting under great excitement and considerable provocation at the time the offence was committed. The punishment he has received I believe will meet the ends of justice."

Charles E. Cox. Convicted in the county court of Grayson July, 1896, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted December 22, 1899. The prisoner was a citizen of Missouri, an engineer by profession, and was in Grayson county prospecting for ore property. The man whom he killed seemed to have conceived the idea that Cox was an internal revenue officer searching for illicit distillers, and therefore determined to kill him. A citizen of the county on whose premises the killing took place says: "Roberts (the man who was killed) had sworn he would kill Cox before the sun went down, and had come twelve miles that day for the purpose, and repeated the threat after meeting Cox." The same gentleman also states "that Roberts was a terror to the community." Another prominent citizen writes: "Roberts was known as a reckless, drinking, dangerous man, and that he forced the difficulty upon Cox." Judge D. W. Bolen, ex-judge of that circuit, and a former representative of Carroll county in the legislature, says: "I heard most of the evidence and argument of counsel, and think the verdict harsh. In my judgment the case vibrated between justifiable homicide and manslaughter. The trial took place at a time when a number of other homicides had recently been committed, and public excitement was at a high pitch, and as Cox was a stranger, it was openly talked that he would be a good man to make an example of." Judge Bolen further says, "that had I been a member of the jury I would have contended for a verdict of not guilty. In any view I take of the case I believe he has been punished enough." Cox has been an exemplary prisoner, trusted by all the officers, and desires to receive his pardon so that he can return to his native State and begin life anew.

Sarah Deckard. Convicted in the county court of Washington April, 1897, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted December 27, 1899. This woman killed her husband, and the Commonwealth's attorney writes voluntarily that "she killed him because of his cruel and brutal treatment to her for twenty years, which forced her to believe that the only hope for her to live was in the attempt to take his life. The evidence showed that he was a strong and brutal man, and that he had threatened to kill her only a few moments before she struck the fatal blow. It seems to be known in the neighborhood where they lived that twenty years ago he whipped her with a horse whip until the blood ran off her heels as she walked along the road, and that he knocked her down with a tobacco stick, his fist, or anything that was convenient, and that during all those twenty years she endured it." Hon. F. B. Hutton writes: "He had been a terror to his wife and family for years." The trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, the jury, and other officials of the county signed the petition asking for clemency.

Sam Edwards. Convicted in the county court of Isle of Wight June, 1896, of forgery, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted February 16, 1898. This prisoner was suffering from tuberculosis, and the sur-

geon to the penitentiary stated: "If the prisoner is removed from the penitentiary at once he will be able to die at home, whereas, if he is kept in confinement any longer he will probably not be in a condition to be removed, and will have to be kept in the penitentiary longer than he was sentenced for."

Robert D. Elliot. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Lynchburg April, 1898, of petit larceny, and sentenced to six months in jail. Granted pardon April, 1898, at the request of the Commonwealth's attorney, and the jurors who tried the case, and many prominent citizens acquainted with the facts. It appears that this is a young man of previous good character. He has already suffered imprisonment for a good portion of his time, and his health is breaking down. His conduct has been good, and he rendered valuable service in helping to overpower an obstreperous character who assaulted the chief of the chain gang.

George Foster. Convicted in the county court of Franklin March, 1892, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary. Pardoned March 12, 1898. This man was pardoned upon the certificate of the surgeon to the penitentiary, who says the prisoner is in a rapid decline with consumption, and has served out a greater portion of his time. Pardon is also recommended by Superintendent George M. Helms.

W. B. Fogg. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Richmond April, 1897, of attempted assault with intent to commit robbery, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted July 8, 1898, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and many prominent citizens. The Commonwealth's attorney says: "I have fully investigated the statements made in the petition for clemency, and do not believe the prisoner intended to commit robbery. I respectfully recommend that a pardon be granted."

William Fitzgerald. Convicted in the county court of Nansemond county August, 1897, of house breaking, and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1898, because the evidence developed after the trial, makes it clear that the man is innocent, and fifty-six of the most prominent citizens of the neighborhood where the crime was committed are of this opinion. The trial judge and Commonwealth's attorney express serious doubt as to the prisoner's guilt, and say they "know nothing of the facts except from hearsay, but believe that what the petition sets forth about him is true, and the pardon asked for can be safely granted."

W. C. Farley. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Roanoke November, 1898, of assault and battery, and sent to jail for three months and fined \$100. Pardon granted December 24, 1898, upon the earnest recommendation of the trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and a number of prominent people of the city, on the grounds of previous good conduct. By releasing him he can retain his position with the railroad company, pay his fine and care for his dependent family. The ends of justice have been fully met.

L. E. A. Forney *alias* Roy Richmond. This party was convicted in the police court and hustings court of Richmond December, 1898, of larceny, and sen-

tenced to two years and two months in jail. Pardon granted January 10, 1899. The prisoner is a native of Iowa, and was a soldier in the Spanish-American war. There were extenuating circumstances in his case. His father is aged, has been stricken with paralysis, is in a critical condition, and is anxious to see his son before dying. Pardon is asked for by Bishop A. Van de Vyver, and is recommended by the judge and Commonwealth's attorney.

Mack Graves. Convicted in the county court of Bedford of assault, and sentenced to twelve months in jail. Pardon granted May 17, 1898, upon the request of the Commonwealth's attorney, in order that Graves may testify against William Akers, a notorious criminal. He has served four months of his time, and it is necessary to have his evidence to obtain the conviction of Akers.

Ballard Gibson. Convicted in the county court of Alleghany January, 1898, of assault, and sentenced to twelve months in jail. Pardoned November 28, 1898, on the grounds of previous good character. He yielded in a moment of weakness to a temptation, and committed a slight offence. His pardon is asked for by the party wronged, the judge, and Commonwealth's attorney. He has already served more than half his time, and the ends of justice have been met.

Conrad Giesen. Convicted in the hustings court of Roanoke June 20, 1898, of seduction, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted May 9, 1899. The policy of the law is to withdraw the hand of punishment in cases of seduction when the man is willing to wright the wrong as far as he can by marriage. In this case the prisoner is proven to have made offer of marriage, even being willing to "run off to Bristol." He evidently intended to marry the girl at the time the crime was committed. He was only sixteen years old and a cripple, having lost a leg. His mother forbade the marriage. The boy afterwards became convinced the girl was impure, and had had improper relations with other men. The girl's mother was living in the house with her in adultery with a man who had abandoned his own family, and one or both of her older sisters had bastard children. "With such surroundings the girl could not have been pure minded, and it is charged that since the seduction she has been seen coming out of a house of bad reputation." The boy's character, before and since his conviction, aside from this one act, has been exemplary. There was lack of viciousness in what he did, and I believe if he had been convinced of the girl's chastity, aside from his connection with her, and had been left to his own will, he would have married her. As heinous as these crimes are, there are circumstances when punishment can be carried too far. Under circumstances set forth in this case it is evident that the boy was not alone to blame, and whilst he deserves punishment for his immoral conduct he perhaps should not have a long term in the penitentiary. The community in which he lives is strongly in favor of his release, as is evidenced by a very numerously signed petition, and a great many letters from prominent citizens, including pastors and christian workers. The jury also asks for his pardon, and the judge and Commonwealth's attorney do not disapprove. On account of his age and condition, and with the hope that pardon will strengthen him in his promises to conduct himself aright, and care for an aged mother. Inasmuch as he has been punished by his conviction, and the time he has served, clemency is granted.

Buck Golden. Convicted in the county court of Augusta March, 1898, of attempted rape, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted October 19, 1899. This man was jointly convicted with a man named Bush, who secured a new trial and was acquitted. The Commonwealth's attorney certifies that under the evidence produced at the second trial of Bush that Golden should not have been convicted, and says: "I am confident that had the same defense been made when Golden was on trial there could have been no conviction." He further states: "In this case I feel that justice would be defeated if the present sentence is allowed to stand. Pardon is recommended by many prominent citizens, among them Lieutenant-Governor Edward Echols.

Sidney Giles. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Richmond October, 1898, of petit larceny, and sentenced to three months in jail. Pardon granted November 28, 1898. The prisoner yielded in a moment of weakness to temptation, and committed a slight offence. His pardon is asked for by the party wronged, the judge and Commonwealth's attorney. He has a large and dependent family, and has served more than half of his term.

Robert K. Godwin. Convicted in the county court of Rockbridge May, 1895, for making false entries on cashier's bank book, and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted March 9, 1898. This man has been a victim of circumstances. While he is no doubt guilty of a technical violation of the law, it does not appear that he received any of the funds taken from the bank. His only crime was in sheltering the real criminal, who was his sister's husband, and had been his benefactor. The honorable counsel who represented the bank states that while the prisoner's counsel apparently acted in a manner which was to their client's best interest in the case, which was not intended at the start to be a test case, he believed, had they the case to try over, they would put him on the stand, and that if his verbatim statement were taken down and published, "I believe every juror in the case, every counsel, the court, and well nigh every man and woman in Rockbridge county would have joined in a like petition for his pardon." He is certainly not a criminal in the usual sense. His suffering has been vicarious, and pardon was unhesitatingly granted after the first opportunity of examining the papers in the case.

Horace Haley. Convicted February, 1898, before a magistrate of Smythe county, for attempting to rescue a prisoner, and sentenced to six months in jail. Granted April 2, 1898. Petition for clemency was endorsed by all the town and county officers, who seem to think the prisoner has been sufficiently punished. He has borne a good character, and was no doubt under misapprehension at the time of interfering with the officers.

Essex Hicks. Convicted in the county court of Accomack county of house breaking, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary December, 1895. Granted May 24, 1898, upon the recommendation of Dr. Harrison that the prisoner is in the last stages of consumption, and his remaining longer in prison makes it dangerous to the health of the other prisoners.

John Hill. Convicted in the county court of Pittsylvania July, 1883, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted July 16, 1898, at the request of the surgeon to the penitentiary, who says the prisoner's health is in a precarious condition.

William Hamilton. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Richmond April, 1885, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted July 16, 1898, at the request of the penitentiary surgeon, who says the prisoner's health is in a precarious condition.

R. M. Hammond. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Danville June, 1892, of burglary, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Granted July 26, 1898. The prisoner was an old Confederate soldier who was wounded in the head, and was not responsible for his act. The Commonwealth's attorney states that if he had known of the facts he would not have prosecuted him. The prosecuting attorney recommends a pardon and the restoration of the prisoner to his family, who are willing to care for him in his old age. His record is good. Nearly all the jurors unite in the petition for pardon.

Charles Haley. Convicted in the county court of Wise November, 1897, of larceny, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 22, 1898. The prisoner was a mere youth, and was taken in charge by a detective who got him to make a confession. Two other parties with him refused to make a confession, and were tried and convicted of petit larceny, and got short sentences in jail. The older parties, it appears, made the boy drunk. He had borne a good character, and his pardon is asked for by many good and respectable citizens who believe that the ends of justice have been met.

Wade Hedge. Convicted in the county court of Montgomery August, 1898, of assault, and sentenced to three months in jail. Pardoned October 24, 1898, upon the application of the trial judge and the Commonwealth's attorney, on the grounds that there is a reasonable doubt as to the prisoner's guilt. He is a mere youth, and was confined in jail forty-five days before he was tried, and has served two-thirds of his sentence.

Thomas Henry. Convicted in the county court of Fairfax February, 1896, of highway robbery, and sentenced to ——— years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted November 10, 1898. This prisoner was convicted with Henry Poss for highway robbery. It was a heinous crime, and neither of them deserved clemency, from an abstract point of view, but the physician certified that Poss was in feeble health, and that further confinement would prove fatal, and on this account alone he was pardoned. He has nearly been restored to health since his release and is a thoroughly changed man, having turned from his wild and reckless career and is conducting himself properly. He appears to have been the leader in the crime, and after he had knocked the party down he had robbed (one McClintock) he proposed "to finish the job by cutting the victim's throat, and McClintock makes affidavit to the fact that he was prevented from carrying out his designs by Henry." A large number of the citizens of Alexandria county petition for the pardon of Henry, based on the grounds that he is not a hardened

criminal and that this one instance he was influenced by a man who had control over him, and on the further grounds that the father of Henry is a poor man, broken in spirit, and has recently lost all he had by fire, and is now on what is supposed to be his dying bed and longs to see his son. The petition states: "All things considered this case appeals with emphasis to executive clemency."

Clifton Hill. Convicted in the county court of Norfolk February, 1898, of attempted rape, and sentenced to nine years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted upon the recommendation of the surgeon to the penitentiary (who certifies that the prisoner is in a wretched physical condition), and approved by the judge, but upon condition that his mother who lives in an adjoining State will take care of him, which she has promised to do.

Gibson Hairston. Convicted in the county court of Henry March, 1898, of petit larceny, and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Pardoned December 24, 1898. In view of the fact that this prisoner has made a faithful hand at the capitol for the past eleven months, and his conduct has been very good, the eighteen days he has to serve is remitted.

Zeph Hunt. Convicted in the county court of Halifax March, 1897, of house breaking, and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. Granted December 27, 1898. Zeph Hunt was tried and convicted at the same term of the court his father and brother were convicted, but by a different jury. He was sentenced for four years, while the other two got two years. The terms of his father and brother have expired. In view of this fact, and as the application for pardon is approved by the trial judge, clemency is granted.

John D. Hunter. Convicted in the county court of Pulaski August, 1896, of perjury, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted January 4, 1899. Three months and eighteen days were deducted from the prisoner's sentence on account of his having to remain in jail for unusual and unavoidable reasons.

Walter Hodges. Convicted in the corporation court of Norfolk June, 1897, for malicious cutting, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted January 6, 1899, upon the recommendation of the Commonwealth's attorney, trial judge, and the mayor of the city. In the opinion of these gentlemen the prisoner's punishment has been sufficient, and the ends of justice have been met.

Harvey Holmes. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Richmond April, 1898, of house breaking, and sentenced to one year imprisonment in jail, and to pay a fine of five dollars. Pardon granted February, 1899, upon the recommendation of the judge and Commonwealth's attorney, and a member of the police detective force. The prisoner has served ten months of his sentence, and has an ill wife and several small children who need his assistance.

Henry Horsley. Convicted in a magistrate's court of Albemarle county of assault, and sentenced to six months in jail. He has served five months of his

term, and his pardon is recommended by the Commonwealth's attorney and many citizens. Pardon granted February 16, 1899.

Russel Hobbs. This man was convicted at the March term of the hustings court of the city of Petersburg, 1896, and was sentenced to a term of six years in the penitentiary for malicious cutting. Pardon granted March 20, 1899, upon the recommendation of the judge, clerk of the court, and city sergeant. The judge says: "He has been sufficiently punished, and I am satisfied that he was the victim of a conspiracy." The prisoner has served half of his time and his record has been good.

Edward Higgs. Convicted of murder in the second degree in the county court of Shenandoah county June 15, 1889, and sentenced to sixteen years and five months in the penitentiary. He has a widowed mother who is now growing old, and is sadly in need of his help. He has served about three-fourths of his time. The evidence at the time of the trial was conflicting, and the prisoner was quite young. The trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and other prominent citizens of the county think the prisoner has been sufficiently punished, and they earnestly ask that pardon be granted. The prisoner has nearly lost his voice. Pardon granted April 22, 1899.

Jeff Hansburg. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond June 30, 1899, of larceny, and sentenced to fifteen days in jail. Pardon granted July 6, upon recommendation of trial justice, who says: "From information received since the trial of this man, had it been produced before me on his trial, I would have given him the benefit of the doubt, and discharged him."

J. C. Hunter. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond April 29, 1899, of petit larceny, and sentenced to six months in jail. Pardon granted September 29, 1899. The prisoner has served all but one month of his time, and is released and pardoned upon the recommendation of Justice John J. Crutchfield.

James T. Holland. Convicted of petit larceny before a magistrate in the county of Floyd August, 1899, and sentenced to six months in jail. Pardon granted November 1, 1899, upon recommendation of the trial justice, who says "he thinks the sentence too severe." Petition endorsed by the county judge and numerous other good citizens.

Albert Sidney Johnstone. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Norfolk of horse stealing, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary October, 1895. Pardon granted January 15, 1898, upon the recommendation of the judge and Commonwealth's attorney, who certify that the guilt of the accused was not clearly established. The prisoner is very young, and has nearly served out his sentence.

Emmet Jordan. Convicted in the county court of Nelson August, 1897, of house breaking, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted September 6, 1898, upon the recommendation of the physician to the State farm, who says the prisoner is critically ill with consumption.

William Johnson. Sentenced October, 1897, from Fauquier county, to serve two years for burglary. Pardon granted October 19, 1898. The prisoner was accused of breaking into a store and taking some articles of the value of less than three dollars. Doubt seems to prevail in the minds of many good citizens of the community as to the store having been robbed. Application for clemency is endorsed by the justice of the peace who conducted the preliminary trial, the county judge, and Commonwealth's attorney. The prisoner's record has been good.

Hattie Jones. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond of shoplifting, September, 1898, and sentenced to four months in jail. The prisoner, together with Hattie Randolph, was accused and convicted of shoplifting, and each given four months in jail. The latter appealed to the Hustings Court, and the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty. In view of these facts Justice Crutchfield asked that executive clemency be granted. Pardoned November 22, 1898.

Flora Jackson. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Richmond of grand larceny January 9, 1899, and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. The prisoner is a young colored girl, scarcely more than a child. She plead guilty to a charge of taking a ring, and was sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. The judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and jury unite in an appeal for executive clemency. This is her first offence. Her parents are respectable colored people who are trying to raise their children right. They have already suffered great distress and mortification. The girl has been taught a lesson. Confinement would only tend to harden her. For these reasons her pardon was granted January 9, 1899.

Thomas Johnson. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond June 8, 1898, of petit larceny, and sentenced to twelve months in jail. His time is nearly out. He has been confined to his bed for three months, and pardon was granted March 14, 1899, upon the recommendation of the jail official who says the prisoner needs hospital treatment.

Oscar Johnson. Convicted in the county court of Prince William May, 1887, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to thirty years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted June 10, 1899, on the recommendation of the physician in charge of the State farm because the prisoner is dying, and his mother and sisters desire to remove him.

John H. Kitchen. Convicted of petit larceny in the hustings court of the city of Richmond October, 1897, and sentenced to six months in jail. Pardon granted January 4, 1898. This man was suffering from a disease of the knee which necessitated amputation. The doctor's certificate shows that he cannot receive proper nursing and treatment in the jail. The judge and Commonwealth's attorney recommend the pardon.

Shady Knight. Convicted in the county court of Rockingham July, 1899, and sentenced to six months in jail for petit larceny. Pardon granted November 9, 1899. The prisoner was convicted of stealing seven chickens. He had served three months before his conviction, and as he has served half of his sentence it

is deemed sufficient punishment for the offence. The Commonwealth's attorney asks that a pardon be granted. For these reasons, and because the prisoner is only fifteen years old, clemency is granted.

Waverly Kelly. Convicted in the county court of Norfolk April, 1893, of house breaking, and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted November 23, 1899, upon the certificate of the surgeon to the State farm, who says the prisoner is suffering with an incurable case of consumption, in fact, he is almost dead.

W. M. Kirtley. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond December, 1899, of petit larceny, and sentenced to thirty days in jail. Pardon granted December, 1899, on the recommendation of the trial justice, and because of the youth of the prisoner.

Walter V. Kean. Convicted in the county court of Buchanan county of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to fourteen years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted December 21, upon the recommendation of the surgeon at the State farm, who says the prisoner is dying with consumption.

Thomas H. Leach. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond June 4, 1893, of petit larceny, and sentenced to sixty days in jail. Pardon granted June 4, 1898, upon the recommendation of the trial justice and the mayor, who state that on account of the youth of the prisoner, and the fact that this is his first offence, he is a fit subject for clemency.

John Lockett. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond October, 1898, of petit larceny, and sentenced to six months in jail. Pardon granted December 24, 1898. The prisoner has served half of his sentence. The charge against him was for taking \$2.40 from one B. M. Langhorne, who says the prisoner was his friend, and asks that he be pardoned. The prisoner claims that he took the money from Langhorne while Langhorne was drunk to save it for him. The mayor and many prominent people endorse the application for clemency.

Shade Lee. Convicted in the county court of Buchanan of involuntary manslaughter, and sentenced in November, 1897, to three years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted April 24, 1899. The petition for pardon is endorsed by the judge and jury, the jury stating that there was conflict of evidence as to whether the prisoner shot at all during the combat. The judge states: "I heard all the evidence on the trial, and carefully noted the same. I have always had grave doubts as to the propriety of this conviction of Shade Lee. The relative positions and attitude of the persons engaged in the combat which resulted in Charles' death, rendered it, to my mind, extremely doubtful that Shade Lee could have fired the fatal shot. Moreover, if he did do so, there was apparently much to justify the act, as his brother Preston was being fired upon by one and probably two of the Charleses." The prisoner's health has been very much impaired by confinement. His record has always been good.

Sam P. May. Convicted in the county court of Wise March, 1886, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary. Pardon

granted January 15, 1898, at the request of the trial judge and the Commonwealth's attorney, the judge stating in the petition, "upon the whole I now feel that S. P. May is undergoing punishment he never deserved." This statement is endorsed by many petitioners and sustained by the records and papers filed.

Morris Mays. Convicted in the county court of Amherst of assault and battery, and sentenced to twelve months in jail. Granted March 9, 1898. It appears from the physician's certificate that the prisoner's health is in a precarious condition. The judge and Commonwealth's attorney unite in the application for pardon.

William Minor. Convicted in the corporation court of Fredericksburg September, 1897, of house breaking, and sentenced to seven months in jail and to pay a fine of \$25. Pardon granted January 25, 1898, on the grounds the prisoner has been sufficiently punished, and that further confinement is detrimental to his health. The judge and Commonwealth's attorney unite in the application for pardon.

J. K. Milner, Jr. Convicted in the corporation court of Danville of assault June, 1898, and sentenced to six months in jail. Pardon granted July 18, 1898, upon the recommendation of all the jurors who sat in the case, the senator and member of the House of Delegates from that district, and a large number of other prominent citizens. There is a large and helpless family dependent upon the prisoner for support.

Ida Manly. Convicted in the circuit court of Loudoun October, 1887, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary. Granted August 29, 1898, upon the recommendation of Judge James Keith, Hon. G. G. Galleher, the trial judge, and a number of prominent citizens of the county. She has served a greater portion of her sentence. She was only 17 years of age at the time the offence was committed, extremely ignorant, and on account of want of moral training was evidently not conscious of the enormity of her crime. Her prison record is good, and all the circumstances taken into consideration justify pardon.

John Murry. Convicted in the county court of Alexandria September, 1891, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to fourteen years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted November 7, 1898. Petition for pardon is signed by the prosecuting attorney, jurors, clerk, board of supervisors, and a number of the most prominent citizens of the county. The trial judge endorsed the same, but his letter is lost and he has since died. The petition sets forth that the prisoner killed a man named Chinn in self-defence. The former is a small man, and was a peaceful, law-abiding citizen, while the man killed was a strong and brutal man. It appears that Murry was justified in firing the fatal shot, and did no more than any other man would have done under the circumstances. He has served a major portion of his sentence, and has a wife and three children who need his support. His prison record has been good.

James Moss. Convicted in the corporation court of Danville for house break-

ing, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted December 14, 1898, upon the recommendation of the physician in charge of the State farm, who says the prisoner is suffering from a loathsome disease which makes it very injurious to the health of the other prisoners in the ward.

Mrs. David Moss. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond December, 1898, of petit larceny, and sentenced to fifteen days in jail. Pardon granted December 30, 1898, for reasons set forth in the endorsement of the trial justice, and of the party from whom the goods were stolen.

Willie Meadows. Convicted in the hustings court of Richmond June, 1896, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to twelve years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted January 16, 1899, upon the certificate of the surgeon in charge of the State farm, that the prisoner is critically ill with consumption, and his expectorations are very injurious to the health of the other prisoners in his ward.

John McGraw. Convicted in the county court of Giles September, 1898, of house breaking, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Granted pardon January 12, 1899. The trial judge and Commonwealth's attorney state that the principal party in the crime had been convicted and sentenced for two years, and that no longer term could have been expected in this case; that nearly all the witnesses lived in West Virginia, and it would have been difficult and expensive to get them. Under the circumstances they and the party injured agreed if the prisoner would make no further defence the party injured would make a recommendation for executive clemency after the prisoner had served half of his sentence. In fairness and justice to the prisoner pardon was granted.

James Mays. Convicted at the April term of the county court of Rockbridge, 1897, of bigamy, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. The prisoner is a very ignorant man, as appears from the papers. He had procured the services of a lawyer to obtain a divorce from his first wife. His grounds would have been sufficient. The lawyer, some time afterwards, falsely informed him that the divorce had been obtained. The prisoner some years afterwards got a license in his own county, and married again. He was deceived, and the judge stated in his petition for pardon that if the facts after-discovered had been before the jury the prisoner would have been acquitted. He has been in the penitentiary for nearly two years. His prison record has been good, and pardon was granted February 24, 1899.

George Washington Moore. Convicted in the corporation court of Portsmouth February, 1898, of bigamy, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted March 20, 1899. Prisoner had been married and lived with wife No. 1 about four years, and she had two children. Moore had grave doubts as to his being the father of the children. This and other bad acts of the woman caused them to separate for a period of six years. During this time, and four years after separation, another child was born to the woman. Moore believing that the conduct of his wife and their long separation divorced him married again to another woman in the same town. About nine months after his marriage to wife No. 2, wife No. 1 swore out a warrant against him. The lady who

told Moore that he was legally divorced, and whose opinion guided him in the matter, is greatly distressed and is anxious for his pardon. The jury unite in the petition and the judge and Commonwealth's attorney interpose no objections.

Monroe Minor. Convicted in the county court of Buckingham of malicious shooting, and sentenced to nine years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted June 19, 1899. Prisoner has consumption, and the physician at the State farm certifies that he cannot live. This pardon has been previously asked for by the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and some of the jury, who state that they believe that his punishment is too severe. He has served about five years of his time.

David Martin. Convicted of larceny in the county court of Appomattox April, 1899, and sentenced to eight months in jail, and to pay a fine of \$40. Pardon granted July 14, 1899, because the prisoner's health is fast failing on account of his confinement in jail. To save the prisoner from wretched health and early death, every juror who tried him signed the petition for executive clemency, saying at the time if it were in their power they would release him at once. The trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, the sheriff and clerk, and the party who instigated the prosecution, recommend pardon; and the jail physician says the prisoner's health is giving away and he should be released.

P. B. Miller. Convicted in the county court of Henrico October, 1898, of house breaking, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted November 24, 1899. The prisoner is a young man, formerly of good character and habits, who, yielding to momentary weakness, took articles of small value. He has aged parents, who desire to take him back to his native home. Pardon is recommended by the Commonwealth's attorney and ten of the jurors.

Jeremiah Murray. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond of carrying concealed weapons, and sentenced to thirty days in jail, and to pay a fine of fifty dollars. Pardon granted December 28, 1899, on the recommendation of the trial justice, and from evidence that the weapon was not carried with an evil intent.

Vernon Norvell. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond December 15, 1899, of petit larceny, and sentenced to thirty days in jail. Pardon granted December 16, 1899. The prisoner is a young man of previous good character, and was convicted of taking an overcoat. Pardon was urged by the trial justice in person, who says that the ends of justice have been met. Prisoner is pardoned and restored to a sorrowing mother.

Victor E. Nottingham. Convicted in the county court of Norfolk, 1896, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted March 7, 1898, upon the affidavit of the witness, W. H. Hamilton, who did not testify at the time of the trial, and whose importance was not known by the defence in time to get him. Judge Portlock, the trial judge, certifies that he has read the affidavit of said witness, and says: "I beg to say that had the court known of Hamilton's testimony as set forth in his affidavit, a new trial would have been granted." The contradictory nature of the testimony given at the trial, which in itself, is enough to cast a doubt on the justice of the conviction.

James O'Brien. Convicted in the county court of Lee January, 1894, of grand larceny, and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted May 13, 1898, upon the recommendation of the physician in charge, who says the prisoner has curvature of the spine, and is in a helpless condition. The board of directors of the penitentiary unite in the petition for clemency. The prisoner has served out his sentence for larceny, and nearly half of the year added for escaping.

Latham Powers. Convicted in the county court of Scott September, 1898, of malicious shooting, and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Pardon granted November 2, 1898, upon the request and recommendation of the trial judge, nine of the jurors, the clerk, sheriff, and many prominent citizens of the county. The shooting was evidently unintentional.

James Overstreet. Convicted in the county court of Bedford April, 1898, of burglary, and sentenced to seven years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted September 28, 1899. His accomplice, William Akers, charged with the same offence, and whom the Commonwealth's attorney says was the principal culprit, was sentenced to only one year. Overstreet is said to be of weak mind. The trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and a large number of petitioners ask for his pardon. Prisoner has served eighteen months.

Marshall Owens. Convicted in the county court of Washington of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to fourteen years in the penitentiary, June, 1897. Pardon granted December 22, 1899. This young man committed the crime for which he was sentenced in the heat of passion, and acted, as stated by the judge and Commonwealth's attorney, "under impulse rather than malice, and did the killing because he felt his younger brother, a mere child, had been imposed upon." He has suffered great mental anguish and is deeply repentant. His father has spent his all in the defense of his son, and now has an opportunity to go to the State of Washington with his boy. The health of the prisoner is bad, and his trouble is aggravated by confinement. He has served nearly four years of his term, and in view of all the facts in the case has been sufficiently punished.

Joe J. Powell. Convicted in the corporation court of Greenville February, 1898, of malicious shooting, and sentenced to twelve months in jail, and to pay a fine of \$50. Pardoned April 9, 1898. The attending physician states that the prisoner is very much weakened both mentally and physically, and will not live much longer if confined in jail. The woman who was shot testifies that she does not believe that the prisoner intended to injure her, and asks for his release. The trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, the jury, and a large number of responsible citizens recommend clemency. In view of the fact that the ends of justice have been fully met the prisoner is pardoned unconditionally.

L. L. Patsel. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Roanoke December, 1896, of horse stealing, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted June 25, 1898. The prisoner is represented to be in feeble health, his wife is desperately ill at the hospital, and his pardon is requested by the

Commonwealth's attorney, who says: "He has a wife and an old mother who are sadly in need of his support. He was more the dupe of others. He is not a hardened criminal, and not likely to offend again, in my opinion. He plead guilty and saved the State the expense of bringing witnesses from West Virginia. When he was tried I agreed at the trial that the minimum punishment was harsh in his case, and as he plead guilty to recommend his pardon, provided he behaved himself in the penitentiary." The conduct of the prisoner has been good.

Joseph Perry. Convicted in the county court of Nelson April, 1898, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted July 22, 1898. This pardon was granted upon the voluntary petition of the judge and Commonwealth's attorney, who strongly urge executive clemency. They say: "The uncontradicted evidence in the case shows not only that there was no ill-feeling between him and the deceased, but that they were friends, and that within an hour of the killing unusually friendly intercourse and salutations had passed between them. In addition to this, there was a conflict of evidence as to whether Perry took an unlawful part in the tragedy. He certainly did not bring it on, and his conduct immediately upon the striking of Jordan the fatal blow by his (Perry's brother), in expressing his (Joe Perry's) regrets and sympathy for the occurrence to the deceased, who was still living, and his aiding in every way to administer to his comfort, makes it so doubtful to our minds whether the said Joseph Perry should be punished that we do not hesitate to recommend, under the circumstances of the case, the intervention of executive clemency in his behalf.

Julia Payne. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Richmond July 10, 1899, of larceny, and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Pardon granted July 17, 1899, upon the recommendation of the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and the jury. The prisoner had previously borne a good character, this being her first offence. When charged with the larceny she confessed that in a moment of weakness she committed the crime, gave back a large portion of the stolen money, and her family agreed to make restitution of the balance.

Smith Pruitt. Convicted in the county court of Pittsylvania July, 1896, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted November 29, 1899, on the certificate of the surgeon of the State farm who says the health of the prisoner is in a precarious condition.

Susan Powell. Convicted in mayor's court, Botetourt county, November 16, 1899, of keeping a house of ill-fame, and sentenced to three months in jail. Pardon granted December 9, 1899, on petition of a large number of influential citizens, among them the mayor and associate trial justice, judge of the county court, Commonwealth's attorney, member of the House of Delegates, who states that punishment has been sufficient. She claims to have fallen under promise of marriage. Has a large family (seven children) dependent upon her for support.

William Peters. Convicted in the county court of Scott September, 1896, of

unlawful shooting, and sentenced to two and a half years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted June 17, 1898, on the recommendation of the trial judge, the present judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and a large number of good and influential citizens of the county. There seems to have been some doubt as to the evidence in the case.

Flora Quillin. Convicted in the county court of Scott of attempted murder, September, 1896, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted April 7, 1898, upon the statement of the physician attending the mother of the prisoner the she (the mother) is in a dying condition, and upon the urgent request of the trial judge and the Commonwealth's attorney. Her conduct has been good, and she has but three months to serve. Consideration for the dying mother, whose health gave way at the fall of her daughter, and who has been prostrated ever since the daughter's conviction, is considered sufficient cause for remitting the three months of further confinement. There are other considerations and strong appeals which are entitled to consideration.

C. W. Robertson. Convicted in the county court of Frederick February, 1885, of attempt at rape, and sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted March 11, 1898, upon the certificate of the surgeon of the penitentiary, that the prisoner is having hemorrhages of the lungs and is in a rapid decline with consumption.

John Rutledge. Convicted in the county court of Montgomery February, 1898, of house breaking, and sentenced to six months in jail. Pardon granted May 19, 1898, upon the recommendation of the trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and the party against whom the offence was committed. From information furnished by the prisoner the real culprit was caught. It is believed that the ends of justice have been met.

William Robinson. Convicted in the corporation court of Norfolk May, 1898, of assault, and sentenced to six months in jail. Pardon granted September 16, 1898. The trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and the party assaulted, recommend clemency. This party was absent when his trial took place. It appears that the notice was served while he was away from home, and he did not return until after the trial had taken place. In view of the fact that he has served four months of his time clemency is granted.

Mason Raines. Convicted in the county court of Stafford county December, 1895, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted August 8, 1898, on the recommendation of the judge and all the jury, who state substantially that the prisoner used the knife on Riely in self-defence, and to protect his money from being stolen by said Riely.

Mary Jackson. Convicted in the county court of Frederick June, 1893, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted December 19, 1898. The trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney jury, and a number of prominent citizens of Fredericksburg certify that evidence has developed since the trial showing that the woman is innocent of the crime

for which she has served more than five years in the penitentiary. A pardon is ordered at once. Her prison record has been fairly good.

Charles Rison. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Danville December, 1894, of robbery, and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted May 5, 1899, on the certificate of the physician at the State farm, who says the prisoner has consumption, and cannot live long, and his presence is injurious to other prisoners.

R. M. Robinett. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Roanoke of involuntary manslaughter, and sentenced to six months in jail, and fined \$500. At best the evidence created only a suspicion of guilt, based on the statements almost entirely of Robinett. It is evident that he had no intention of killing the negro whose death he caused; that he merely shot in the direction of the negro to frighten him, and that he considered he had a right to do this, being an officer of the law. The leniency of the verdict shows that the jury were very doubtful in agreeing to their verdict. If they thought that Robinett shot intending to kill the man, the verdict would have been for a much severer punishment. The petition for pardon is signed by all the jury, all the members of the city council with one exception, most of the city officers, and many of the best citizens of the city, and all of the local officers and managers of the Norfolk and Western Railway Company. Pardon granted June 30, 1899.

Mary Rollins. Convicted in the county court of Prince William October, 1894, of petit larceny, and sentenced to six months in jail. Pardon granted July 7, 1899, upon the recommendation of the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, jail physician, and others. The prisoner is old and infirm, and further confinement is likely to cause her death. She was tried in her absence in 1894, it being alleged that she was at a hospital under treatment at the time, and in 1899 she was arrested upon a *capias* and incarcerated in jail. It is claimed that had she been well enough to have been present at the trial her innocence would have been established.

Flora Rucker. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond August 23, 1899, of petit larceny, and sentenced to three months in jail. Pardon granted October 2, 1899, upon the recommendation of the trial justice. The prisoner is young, and has been sufficiently punished.

George Rogers. Convicted of murder in the second degree in the county court of Norfolk, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted March 7, 1898, for the same reasons that justified a pardon in the case of Victor E. Nottingham, heretofore referred to. Papers in this case filed in the Nottingham case.

R. L. Rawlings. Convicted in the county court of Brunswick January, 1899, of shooting with intent to kill, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. The offence was committed under great provocation. The party with whom he had the trouble had been very rough and insulting; had visited the prisoner's house and had tried to have a personal difficulty with his son, using vulgar and

obscene language. He was a younger and much larger man than the prisoner. It seemed that the prisoner was provoked beyond endurance, and finally attacked the man threatening to shoot him, and did shoot at him, but evidently did not aim to hit him, shooting entirely over the head of the party. He could have shot the man as he ran away from him, but did not attempt to shoot the second time. It was the general impression that the prisoner shot with the hope of keeping the man from further annoying him. The man at whom the shot was fired asks for clemency for the prisoner. All the officers of the court except the Commonwealth's attorney, who does not protest, the jury, and a large number of the best people of the county endorse the petition. The prisoner is 57 years of age, and was faithful to his country in war, and has always heretofore led a life of uprightness and integrity. The ends of justice have been met. Pardon granted March 21, 1899.

Robert Thompson. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Bristol October, 1890, and sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary for robbery. Pardon granted February 25, 1898. This man was convicted of assaulting an Assyrian woman, whose testimony had to be interpreted to the court by another Assyrian, for whose credibility or ability no one vouched. Up to the time of his conviction he bore a good character. He has served nearly all of his time, and has been sufficiently punished. The Commonwealth's attorney recommends the pardon.

Jackson Smith. Convicted in the county court of Pulaski of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted January 25, 1898. This man's health is completely broken. He has a disgusting and disagreeable disease, which renders his presence very objectionable to all with whom he comes in contact. Pardon recommended by the superintendent of the penitentiary and the surgeon at the State farm.

Thomas Smith. Convicted in the corporation court of Danville of bigamy June, 1897, and sentenced to twelve months in jail. Granted January 28, 1898. This man was guilty of a technical violation of the law, as was clearly shown that he had no intention of committing bigamy, but acted upon information that he had a right to believe reliable as to the death of his former wife.

William Smith *alias* Henry Williams. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond November, 1897, of petit larceny, and sentenced to six months in the city jail. Granted pardon April 16, 1898, on the certificate of the jail physician that the man's health is in a very precarious condition, and he is likely to die at any time. Prisoner has just one month more to serve.

Samuel Smith. Convicted in the county court of Franklin March, 1898, of trespass, and sent to jail for three months, and fined five dollars. Pardon granted April 23, 1898, upon the certificate of the jail physician that the prisoner's health is in a very precarious condition. The pardon is also recommended by the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and a number of prominent citizens.

Moses Saunders. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Radford

June, 1893, of burglary, and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary, with five years added for second conviction. Pardon granted June 7, 1898, upon the recommendation of the physician to the State farm, who says the prisoner is in the last stages of consumption, and by his remaining in prison longer it greatly endangers the health of the other prisoners.

William W. Shifflett. Convicted in the county court of Rockingham February, 1898, of unlawful assault, and sentenced to three months in jail, and to pay a fine of \$100. Pardon granted June 8, 1898, at the request of the trial judge, who states after-discovered evidence clearly proves the man's innocence of any maliciousness. He was more by accident engaged in the difficulty, and the fine imposed is sufficient punishment, which must be paid before the pardon is granted.

David Stillner. Convicted in the county court of Buchanan May, 1897, of voluntary manslaughter, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted July 23, 1898. The prisoner seems to have committed the offence in self-defence, and pardon is recommended by the trial judge and many prominent citizens.

Walter Stroup. Convicted in the county court of Washington county November, 1894, of rape, and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. This is a case of a young man of feeble mind and body convicted of complicity in a rape case. He was about fourteen years old at the time, and was made drunk by the other parties, one of them being his uncle. After making him drunk they compelled him at the point of a pistol to take hold of a rail on which they were riding a woman of very low character, and upon whom they committed rape. Stroup got away from them as soon as he could. The only charge against him was helping to carry the rail, and on this point the woman now says she swore falsely. Hagy, the uncle of the boy, was sentenced for a term of eighteen years, and the boy for ten. Hagy was pardoned within two years on account of ill health, and died before reaching home. The other party was never apprehended. Stroup has been in feeble health. His prison record has been good. His father and mother are feeble and very poor. The Commonwealth's attorney and all the jurors now living in the State petition for his pardon. In view of these facts, and the woman's confession, the youth of the prisoner and the time he has served, pardon was granted August 18, 1898.

A. J. Scott. Convicted in the county court of Pulaski September, 1898, of petit larceny, and sentenced to twenty-five days in jail. Pardon granted September 24, 1898, upon the recommendation of the mayor and a large number of prominent citizens, who state that the ends of justice have been met, and the prisoner's health is impaired by confinement. He has already served fifteen days of his time.

Daniel W. Strickler. Convicted in the county court of Augusta January, 1895, of forgery, and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted September 1, 1898, on the recommendation of the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and all the jury, who state that the ends of justice have been met. The jury state: "We would not have found a verdict that would have inflicted any greater degree of punishment (two years) under the evidence adduced before us."

John Seymore. Convicted in the county court of Botetourt county January, 1898, of house breaking, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted October 10, 1898, upon the recommendation of the surgeon at the State farm, who says the prisoner's health is in a precarious condition, and his expectations are injurious to the health of the other prisoners.

Charles W. Swann. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Manchester of bigamy, November, 1898, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted November, 1898. Pardon for this man was asked for by the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, all the jurors, and seven hundred of the best citizens of the city of Manchester, and there is no protest against clemency being granted whatever. The prisoner was a good, law-abiding citizen, and was only guilty of a technical violation of the law, with no criminal intent, as is evidenced by the fact that he brought wife No. 2 to live with him on the same street that wife No. 1 lived.

Jacob Smith. Convicted in the county court of Elizabeth City county December, 1897, of forgery, and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted December 19, 1898. The parties whose names are claimed to have been forged signed a note to enable the prisoner to obtain \$10. It was found that the note signed was not negotiable and another note was prepared, and the prisoner not thinking he was violating the law wrote the same names on the back of the note. It was not the intention of the parties whose names were forged to prosecute the prisoner, and they write an earnest letter recommending clemency. The petition is endorsed by the trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, the jury, Hon. E. E. Montague, and a number of prominent citizens of the county.

Webster Snodgrass. Convicted in the county court of Wise of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary, December, 1891. Pardon granted December 23, 1898. Pardon for this prisoner was twice refused by my predecessor. At that time the judge and Commonwealth's attorney, the jury, and assistant prosecuting attorney were not endorsers on the petition. They now unite in a petition for clemency. The application is supported by the county officers and a large number of prominent citizens of the county, and it is also stated that the friends and relatives of the deceased, who protested at first against pardon, are now favorable to clemency being granted. The murder was committed in the heat of passion, and no previous malice was shown. The prisoner was under the influence of liquor. The trial judge says: "I have always had grave doubts as to his guilt," and that the prisoner has served sufficiently long. The jury states: "We now think the punishment we imposed on him too severe." He has been confined in the penitentiary six years, and served fifteen months in jail awaiting the decision of the higher courts. He had one or more opportunities to escape and refused to take advantage of it, always protesting his innocence. On one occasion he helped to rescue other persons and the jailers family from a fire which destroyed the jail in which he was confined. His prison record has been good, and in view of all the facts, and in accordance with the manifested desire of the people of the county, and believing that the ends of justice have been satisfied, and that no harm can result to society by his release, executive clemency is accordingly granted.

Richard Shield. Convicted in the county court of Elizabeth City county January, 1894, of stealing from the person, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary—five years being added for second conviction. Pardon granted December 30, 1898, on the certificate of the physician in charge of the State farm that the prisoner is suffering with an aggravated case of consumption and other complications, and further confinement would be injurious to the health of the other prisoners in his ward.

Theodore Silcott. Convicted in the county court of Loudoun of involuntary manslaughter, and sentenced to twelve months in jail. This young man was at the table with two younger brothers, the deceased, aged about twelve years, and one aged about seven. The boy that was killed was misbehaving, and the prisoner threatened to stop him if he did not cease. He kept on misbehaving, though seemed to be in a laughing humor. In a quick, impulsive way, a knife was thrown by the older brother at the deceased, who had dodged down behind the table. In some way the knife struck the boy and entered his side, producing a wound which caused death in a few hours. This could not have been from malice, only a dreadful accident from recklessness. The jury could not have felt that there was malice, or they would have imposed greater punishment. Eleven of the jurors ask for his pardon; the judge does not disapprove, and a number of respectable citizens petition for clemency. The accidental killing of a brother, even with something more than a spirit of carelessness, must bring greater punishment and distress to the unfortunate young man than imprisonment. Further confinement will, it is feared, make a physical and mental wreck of him, and it is to be hoped that clemency will bring some comfort, and help to give relief from his depression, and inspire new hope to live and conduct himself aright. Pardon granted April 27, 1898.

William Sanford. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Petersburg June, 1898, of felony, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted June 6, 1899. Prisoner is quite a young man. His previous character had been good, and his prison record has been exemplary. He is in extremely bad health, and it is feared that further confinement will endanger his life. His pardon is asked for by the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, Senator McIlwaine, Congressman Epes, the mayor, sergeant, and nearly all the county and city officers, and many other prominent citizens.

David Strother. Convicted in the county court of Prince William August, 1898, of house breaking, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. This man was employed by a party in connection with his ice business, and was permitted to sell the ice. He took from the ice house a quantity of ice in the morning for the beef market, and stated that he intended to inform his employer, but before he could do so he was arrested. Since the trial the jury say they have been convinced that he was entrusted by his employer to handle a greater amount than he was accused of taking, and they request his pardon. The petition is endorsed by the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and many other officials and citizens. He has served one-half of his term, and has been a good prisoner. Pardon granted 1898.

Samuel Thompson. Convicted in the county court of Henry May, 1895, of house breaking, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted February 12, 1898. This man is dying from consumption. The physician at the penitentiary farm says "that he cannot lay down, owing to difficulty in breathing, and that he cannot live but a few days; that his disease is at a highly contagious stage, owing to the great amount of expectoration."

Ida Thompson, Convicted in the county court of Louisa May, 1885, of infanticide, and sentenced to eighteen years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted December 14, 1898. This girl was sent to the penitentiary when only fourteen years of age. She was ignorant and did not realize the enormity of her crime. Her sentence was for eighteen years, and she has served nearly fourteen years of her time. Her pardon is asked for by the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and a number of good citizens of her neighborhood. The ends of justice have been met.

Willie Taylor. Convicted before the mayor's court of Ashland of assault and sentenced to sixty days in jail. Pardon granted September 21, 1899, upon the recommendation of the mayor, who says: "Since the trial evidence has come to me which would have cleared him if it had come out when the matter was heard."

Walter Turpin. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Richmond November, 1898, of attempted house breaking, and sentenced to twelve months in jail. Pardon granted November, 1899. The prisoner's time will expire in one day, and pardon is asked in order that he may accept employment that is offered him at a point distant from Richmond, and that he may be sent at once from the influence of evil associates. Pardon recommended by the Commonwealth's attorney.

George W. Tanner. Convicted in the county court of Clarke August, 1896, of grand larceny, and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted November 21, 1899, on the certificate of the surgeon at the State farm that the prisoner's health is in a precarious condition, and there was danger of his communicating disease to other inmates of the ward.

William Van Horne *alias* Devine. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond July, 1899, of petit larceny, and sentenced to six months in jail—two cases. Pardon granted December 15, 1899, on certificate of the jail surgeon that the prisoner's health was in a precarious condition, and he could not receive proper treatment in the jail.

Dudley Williams. Convicted in the county court of Botetourt May, 1891, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted March 18, 1898, on the grounds that the conflicting evidence raises a serious doubt as to his guilt, and request of the prosecuting attorney, and because John Stevens, who fired the fatal shot that caused the death of one Iceburg, and who was convicted of this murder at the same time as Dudley Williams was, has since died, and on his death bed made a statement completely exoner-

ting Williams. This affidavit of Stephens was in the papers and examined by me, but seems to have been misplaced.

Mary Jane Washington. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Richmond December, 1894, of grand larceny, and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary—five years added for second conviction. This woman was in company with another woman and a man. During a temporary absence of the man he claimed that his money had been stolen. The other woman swore that the prisoner had it, though it was not found on her person. After this the woman who had accused the prisoner was herself convicted of stealing from the person, and sentenced to eighteen months in the penitentiary. In view of this fact, the very probable doubt that the charge was false, and the further fact that the person has served out her time, and three and a half years of the five years added to her sentence, pardon is granted. Petition for the pardon is signed by most of the jurors who tried her, by judge Witt, in whose court she was sentenced, and by Judge Wellford, who added the five years sentence. Her prison record has been good. Pardon granted July 29, 1898.

John Wilson. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond September 21, 1898, of petit larceny, and sentenced to ninety days in jail. This pardon was granted September 29, 1898, on the recommendation of the trial justice, who states that the prisoner has a crop that is going to waste; that he has a helpless family dependent upon him; that he has heretofore borne a good reputation.

Martin Willis. Convicted in the county court of Patrick March, 1898, of malicious assault, and sentenced to eighteen months in the penitentiary. Pardon granted November 30, 1898. Willis was engaged in a difficulty with a young man named Montgomery. Two brothers and some other relatives of this young man were fighting with Willis's brother. Montgomery stated on the trial that Willis assaulted him, and was sustained in his statements by his brothers and cousins. Willis's brother did not see the affair, consequently could not testify, but an affidavit of one W. W. W. Amburn, who did not testify, states that he saw Montgomery put a rock in his pocket about thirty minutes before the fight, and heard him say he intended knocking Willis's brains out, and that Montgomery seemed to be very angry. The petitioners, which include the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, all the jury, and the court officials state, that had Amburn been called upon to testify in accordance with his affidavit that there would not have been a conviction, and all pray for the pardon of the prisoner. He has served about half of his term and has been a good prisoner.

Wash Williams. Convicted in the county court of Pittsylvania August, 1898, and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary for unlawful assault. Pardon granted December 8, 1898. The application for pardon is endorsed by a large number of the best citizens of the community, all of whom speak of the prisoner as a man of fine character. Senator R. A. James writes earnestly recommending a pardon, and says the trial judge assures him of his willingness to approve the application. From the testimony of the wounded man at the first trial the prisoner was evidently acting in self-defence.

A. W. Wright and William L. Wright. Convicted in the county court of Accomac county December, 1894, of murder in the second degree, and given sixteen and fifteen years, respectively, in the penitentiary. Pardon granted December 17, 1898. The party killed was an ex-penitentiary convict and a desperate character. He was continually insulting people and getting into difficulties; had been especially spiteful towards these young men, and on the night of the murder was very abusive and threatening, and after cursing William (the younger), who was only nineteen years old, he started to his house threatening to get his gun and shoot him. William went to his brother's house and awoke him, and soon the man who was killed was heard coming out of his house with threats and curses, and the Wrights, supposing he was armed, one of them (Arthur) stepped in the store and got a gun, and fired as the party was approaching, and killed him. The prisoners have served five years of the sentence, which, under the mitigating circumstances, seems punishment enough. As the health of both has been seriously impaired by confinement, and as the jury unanimously request their pardon, and as the petition is signed by a large number of prominent citizens of the county, and is presented by Senator Le Cato and Delegate S. Wilkins Mathews, I deem it best to pardon the two men and let them care for their dependent family.

Lincoln Woodson. Convicted in the county court of Tazewell July, 1894, of grand larceny, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary—five years added for second conviction. Pardon granted December 22, 1898, upon the certificate of the physician at the State farm, who says the prisoner is dangerously ill with consumption, and by confining him longer it makes it very injurious to the health of the other prisoners in the ward. The judge and Commonwealth's attorney approve the application on the grounds of ill-health, as stated above.

Clarence Wrenn. Convicted in the county court of Fairfax April, 1897, of horse stealing, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Sentence commuted April 22, 1899, to one year in jail. Pardon granted December 20, 1899, upon telegram from attending physician, who states the condition of the prisoner is very serious, and whose illness may prove fatal at any moment.

Willie Wood. Convicted in the county court of Amherst May, 1898, of cattle stealing, and sentenced to one year in the penitentiary, and one year in the county jail for another offence. Pardon granted April 15, 1899. He has served his term in the penitentiary and has been a good prisoner, and the Commonwealth's attorney asks that the jail punishment be abated. The prisoner is of weak mind, and the ends of justice have been met, therefore he is pardoned as to the term in the county jail.

Kate Washington. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Richmond of shop lifting May, 1899, and sentenced to eight months in jail. Pardon granted June 6, 1899, upon the certificate of the jail physician that she has consumption, and is getting worse, and cannot live much longer in prison.

Rush F. Whett. Convicted in the county court of Tazewell August, 1898, of horse stealing, and sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted

October 5, 1899. Prisoner is weak-minded, with barely enough intelligence to know right from wrong. He is a cripple, but is able to help support a wife and four children, who are in destitute circumstances. His pardon is asked for by the trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and other officials, and by a popular petition of influential citizens. His reputation before the trial was good, and his prison record has been exemplary.

John Willis. Convicted in the county court of Middlesex of attempt at rape June, 1899, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted November 27, 1899. The prisoner is of a low order of intelligence, and the woman against whom the offence was committed was of bad character. She almost confessed to have given consent while on the witness stand. The petition is signed by all the jurors who are in the county, a large number of prominent citizens, practically all the county officers, and is strongly endorsed by the trial judge and Commonwealth's attorney. Under the circumstances, the prisoner has suffered sufficient punishment.

Edward Wilson. Convicted in the county court of Norfolk December, 1896, of murder in the second degree, and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted March 7, 1898. Same reasons as in the Victor E. Nottingham case.

Juddie White. Convicted in the county court of Norfolk May 16, 1894, of rape, and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. Pardon granted July 14, 1899, upon the recommendation of the surgeon to the State farm, who says the prisoner is in the last stages of consumption and will soon die, and his detention at the hospital where he is confined makes it unhealthy for the other prisoners.

Collin Yates. Convicted in the police court of the city of Richmond February 28, 1899, for carrying concealed weapons, and sent to jail for thirty days and fined fifty dollars. This prisoner had but one more day to served. His wife dropped dead and he was pardoned that he might arrange for her burial and to be present at the funeral rites. Pardon granted 27th of March, 1899.

Commutations.

Robert Anderson. Convicted in the hustings court, city of Richmond, May, 1896, of house breaking and assault. Sentence, two years for house breaking, five years for assault. Commuted March 18, 1898, to two years in the penitentiary, on the recommendation of the witnesses for the Commonwealth, the judge and Commonwealth's attorney, and the police officers to whom he gave valuable information that led to the breaking up of a gang of thieves.

Robert M. Bailey. Convicted in the county court of Chesterfield July, 1898, of horse stealing. Sentence, three years in the penitentiary. Commuted to twelve months in jail August 12, 1898, on recommendation of county judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and the party from whom the horse was stolen, and other prominent citizens of the county.

W. G. Bradley. Convicted in the county court of Botetourt September, 1898, of seduction. Sentence, three years in the penitentiary. Commuted to twelve months in jail on the request of the judge and jury. The woman against whom offence was committed was twenty-four years old at the time. The prisoner offered to marry her and thus atone for the offence as far he could. The offer was declined, except on the condition of the settling of a much larger sum of money on the woman than the prisoner was able to pay. He then made a second offer of marriage which was unconditionally rejected, and while his offence is a heinous one and should not be condoned, yet in view of all the circumstances and the further fact that the prisoner has a helpless family dependent upon him, the commutation was granted.

Charles Beale. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Richmond of malicious assault. Sentence, one year in the penitentiary. Commuted to three months in jail on petition of the trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and the party against whom the offence was committed.

George Cary. Convicted in the county court of Elizabeth City of malicious assault September, 1898. Sentence, one year in the penitentiary. Commuted to

six months in jail, on petition of the judge and Commonwealth's attorney that the ends of justice would be met by a jail sentence.

William Campbell. Convicted in the hustings court, city of Danville, 1880, of robbery. Sentence, fifteen years in the penitentiary, ten added for striking guard. Committed to twenty-one years and six months in the penitentiary March 22, 1899, on petition of Hon. S. B. Witt, who prosecuted him for striking the guard, and endorsements of the judge and Commonwealth's attorney. Commutation granted on condition that he does not again violate the penal laws.

John Carter. Convicted in the hustings court of Petersburg September, 1898, of unlawful assault. Sentence, one year in the penitentiary. Commuted November 16 to six months in jail. The prisoner committed his crime in a moment of passion, and the injury he inflicted was but slight. The trial judge concurs.

M. Creevey. Convicted in the county court of Smyth September, 1898, of forgery. Sentence, four years in the penitentiary (on each indictment). Commuted to one year in the penitentiary July 7, 1899, on recommendation of the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and a large number of influential citizens. The prisoner was sentenced for raising an order of \$2.50 to \$5.00, and is only a boy, and has an invalid father dependent on him.

J. T. Edwards. Convicted in the county court of Elizabeth City January, 1898, of unlawful assault. Sentence, two and a half years in the penitentiary. Commuted to eight months in the county jail, and \$25.00 fine, April 6, 1898, on recommendation of the trial judge, all the jury, and a large number of influential citizens of his town and section. Prisoner has a dependent family, and appears to have committed the offense under the impression that he was acting in self-defense.

Charles English. Convicted in the county court of Roanoke October, 1898, of unlawfully uncoupling cars of N. & W. R. R. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Commuted to twelve months in jail, on recommendation of the judge and Commonwealth's attorney, and certificate of the jury that had the statute permitted they would have given a much shorter sentence.

W. E. Foreman. Convicted in the justices court of Chesterfield county 8th of June, 1898, of petit larceny. Sentence, fifteen months in jail. Commuted to twelve months and nine days June 17, 1899, on recommendation of the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and the officer who made the arrest, and numerous other prominent citizens.

J. T. Giles. Convicted in the county court of Botetourt April, 1899, of bigamy. Sentence, three years in the penitentiary. Commuted to one year in the penitentiary April 12, 1899. Prisoner is weak minded and plead guilty, and was sentenced to the lowest term under the law, with the understanding that the judge, jury, and Commonwealth's attorney would unite in a request for commutation to one year in the penitentiary. Petition is endorsed by the judge, jury, Commonwealth's attorney, and other county officers, and by the first wife of the prisoner.

Lou Gregory. Convicted in the hustings court, city of Richmond, September, 1899, of house breaking. Sentence, five years in penitentiary. Commuted to sixty days in jail October 20, 1899, on account of the extreme youth of the prisoner, and on recommendation of the judge and Commonwealth's attorney.

John Howell. Convicted in the county court of Floyd December, 1897, of assault. Sentence, six months in jail. Commuted to three months in jail March 19, 1898. The associate of the prisoner, who appears to have been equally guilty, was only sentenced to one month in jail. The physician to the jail certifies that his health is bad and that confinement is seriously retarding his recovery.

W. H. Howell *alias* Tanner. Convicted in the county court of Elizabeth City of forgery. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Commuted to twelve months in jail January, 1899. The prisoner was detained in jail on account of small-pox, and there seemed no possibility of his being taken to the penitentiary for some time to come. He is very young and the amount of his forgery was small. His pardon is recommended by the judge and Commonwealth's attorney.

John Jackson. Convicted in the county court of Washington November 8, 1897, of murder in the first degree. Sentenced to be hanged. Commuted to imprisonment in the penitentiary for life March 15, 1898. The only grounds on which the jury could have based their verdict in this case is, that there was a conspiracy between Jackson and Denison to commit this murder, because the testimony of the chief witness for the Commonwealth of the events immediately preceding the killing shows that unless there had been a conspiracy between the two that the killing was done in the heat of passion. The theory of conspiracy is rebutted by several facts:

1st. The evidence shows that Jackson was riding a mule and Denison was walking, while Leonard (the man that was killed) and his brother were both on horseback, so that unless Jackson and Denison could have foreseen (which was impossible) that the Leonards would stop, they could not have overtaken them.

2d. The apparent friendliness of the parties immediately before the killing.

3d. The fact that the only weapon with which Jackson was armed was a small "Barlow" knife goes to show very strongly that he did not have any preconceived idea of killing Leonard.

4th. Denison has since been tried and convicted of voluntary manslaughter and his punishment fixed at four years in the penitentiary. If there was a conspiracy, one was as guilty as the other. From all the evidence in the case, and from a long and careful consideration of the testimony, I am forced to the conclusion that the verdict was a harsh one, and the ends of justice would be met by a life sentence.

John Jones. Convicted in the county court of Henrico October, 1898, of burglary. Sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Commuted to twelve months in jail October 19, 1898, on recommendation of the judge and Commonwealth's attorney, and certificate of the surgeon to the jail that the prisoner has dropsy, and that further confinement would be injurious to his health.

Sallie Johnson *alias* Martha Ann Williams. Convicted in the hustings court

of the city of Richmond of burglary. Sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Commuted to three months in jail on recommendation of the judge and Commonwealth's attorney, who certify that there were grave doubts of the burglary.

William Kennon. Convicted in the county court of Clarke April, 1897, of burglary. Sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Commuted to two years September 28, 1898, on recommendation of the judge, Commonwealth's attorney and jury, who say "that the circumstances attending the commission of the crime for which he was convicted were such that, if the law had permitted, the term would have been fixed at less than five years."

John S. Lunsford. Convicted in the county court of Prince William March, 1899, of unlawful cutting. Sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Commuted to three months in jail March 24, 1899, on recommendation of the judge, Commonwealth's attorney and all the jury, and on certificate of the surgeon to the penitentiary that the young man is suffering with heart trouble.

Lee Green *alias* Robert Green. Convicted in the county court of Henrico January, 1899, of stealing a horse and cow—two indictments. Sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. Commuted to six years in the penitentiary April 13, 1898, on recommendation of the judge and Commonwealth's attorney, who certify that the last sentence was too severe.

Willie Lee Lewis. Convicted in the county court of Prince Edward June, 1899, of unlawful cutting. Sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Commuted to twelve months in jail August 7, 1899. Further commuted to four months in jail October 1, 1899, on recommendation of the judge and Commonwealth's attorney, who certify that the wound inflicted by the prisoner was not as severe as the evidence at trial indicated, and that in their opinion two months in jail would meet the ends of justice.

John Mayo. Convicted in the hustings court, city of Richmond, October, 1898, of felonious cutting. Sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Commuted to one year and two days in the penitentiary, on recommendation of the judge and Commonwealth's attorney, who certify that the punishment was excessive. October 30, 1899.

P. B. Miller. Convicted in the county court of Henrico April, 1899, of house breaking. Sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Commuted to seven months and ten days actual confinement November 24, 1899, on recommendation of the Commonwealth's attorney and ten of the jury. The prisoner is a young man formerly of good habits and character, who yielding to momentary weakness took articles of small value. He has aged parents who desire to take him to his native home, Ohio.

Thomas W. Price. Convicted in the county court of Prince Edward April, 1899, of murder in the first degree. Sentenced to be hanged. Commuted to imprisonment for life August 22, 1899. The prisoner was twice tried for killing one

Hall Carter. The jury in both trials found a verdict of murder in the first degree, and the prisoner was sentenced to be hanged on the fifth day of July, 1899. A respite was granted until the fifth day of September, 1899. The jury of course is the judge of the evidence, and the verdict should stand unless under unusual circumstances.

There are unusual circumstances in this case which appeal very strongly in behalf of the prisoner. In fact, I have never had a petition so well supported. Eleven of the last jury (and the other member, I am informed, is agreed) very earnestly appeal for commutation. Seven of the first jury also unite in the petition. The Commonwealth's attorney says he thinks fully three-fourths of the people of the county are in favor of having the sentence commuted. The judge does not disapprove the application. Out of a total of white votes in the county of 956, 838 signed the petition. A large number of the most respectable and worthy citizens of the county write strong personal letters in behalf of the prisoner. There are a few letters from good men, one a minister of the gospel, and a comparatively small petition opposing commutation.

On the petitions alone the evidence is sufficiently strong to justify the conclusion that it is not only the wish of a large majority of the citizens of the county that commutation should be granted, but it is perfectly evident that violence would not be done public sentiment by such a course.

I have patiently gone over the evidence in the case, and whilst, as stated, the jury should be the judges of the evidence, I cannot conscientiously see that a verdict of murder in the first degree was wholly justifiable, and the after statement of the second jury indicate some doubt. There was certainly a doubt that the prisoner, under the circumstances and in his condition, committed willful, deliberate and premeditated murder, and he is entitled to the doubt.

He is an old man, who was a good citizen when not drinking; was a faithful, brave and loyal soldier, who served his State in a time that tried men's souls. His imprisonment for life behind penitentiary bars, during his few remaining years, will be but little less severe punishment than death. In view of all the circumstances, and with a hope that it may result in his spiritual good, the prayer of the petition is granted.

Michael Rowan. Convicted in the corporation court of Norfolk January, 1896, of felonious shooting, and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary. Commuted to two years in the penitentiary January 25, 1898, upon the recommendation of the Commonwealth's attorney, trial judge, and a number of prominent citizens of Norfolk. This confinement is sufficient punishment for the crime committed.

Junius Taylor. Convicted in the hustings court of the city of Richmond January, 1898, of house breaking. Sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Commuted to four months in city jail on recommendation of the judge, jury, and Commonwealth's attorney.

Alex. Tate. Convicted in the county court of Norfolk county April, 1899, of murder in first degree. Sentenced to be hanged. Commuted to imprisonment for life in the penitentiary.

The infliction of the death penalty is a serious matter, and every precaution should be taken to avoid a mistake. The prisoner was a stranger from another State, and met with a crowd who are described by the trial judge "as of that low and depraved and worthless element which infest bar-rooms and prey upon the community for a livelihood." The witnesses for the Commonwealth were evidently hostile to the prisoner and partial to the deceased, as evidenced by their standing around and seeing the prisoner unmercifully beaten by the party who was killed without offering the slightest assistance. Two persons who were evidently as creditable as those who testified against the prisoner gave affidavits that they were present, and that the fatal shots were fired by a friend of the deceased, who was the principal witness for the Commonwealth, and not by the prisoner. The trial judge in speaking of these affidavits says, "that had they been presented to the court upon the motion for a new trial they would have received weighty consideration."

Only the prisoner himself testified for the defense. The prisoner bore an excellent reputation at his home in North Carolina, and a prominent citizen of that State, Col. Julian S. Carr, who was a former employer of the prisoner, has shown great interest in his behalf. The sheriff of Norfolk county voluntarily testifies to the good conduct of the prisoner while confined in jail under his care.

S. J. Wright. Convicted in the county court of Elizabeth City May, 1898, of forgery. Sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Commuted to six months in jail June 17, 1898, upon the earnest request of the trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney and jurors, who believe that the commutation will fully meet the ends of justice.

William Walker. Convicted in the county court of Henrico October, 1898, of highway robbery. Sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. Commuted to twelve months in jail October 18, 1898, on recommendation of the judge and Hon. George D. Wise, who prosecuted him, and the jury, who state that had they been permitted to do so under the law, they would have given the prisoner a jail sentence.

Clarence Wrenn. Convicted in the county court of Fairfax April, 1899, of horse stealing. Sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Commuted to twelve months in jail April 22, 1899. The prisoner was only sixteen years old at the time he was convicted, and was enticed by a man who seemed to have been a professional thief, to accompany him to Washington, and made the boy drunk. The man stole a horse and buggy and told the boy he was going to drive him to the country, and that he would return the buggy. After starting he admitted he had stolen the horse, and threatened to shoot the boy if he deserted him. The boy got away from him as soon as he could and the man swapped the horse and buggy for another. When arrested he charged the boy with having stolen the articles, but afterwards confessed it was not true. The judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and all the jury and county officers ask for commutation.

Stephen Woods. Convicted in the corporation court of Staunton June, 1899, of felonious stealing from the person. Sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Commuted to twelve months in jail June 19, 1899, on petition of the

judge, Commonwealth's attorney, other county officers, and Lieutenant-Governor Echols.

Robert Williams. Convicted in the corporation court of Newport News September 28, 1899, of murder in the first degree. Sentenced to be hanged. Commuted to imprisonment in the penitentiary for life November 17, 1899. The prisoner is a man of very low order of intellect, in fact, of scarcely sufficient intelligence to distinguish right from wrong. The case was given careful consideration, a respite of thirty days being granted to give time for consideration. Judge Braham states that executive clemency would not be improperly exercised, and it also appearing from affidavits that the deceased had made two assaults on the prisoner before the homicide, and it also appearing from evidence discovered since the trial that the deceased was advancing on the prisoner with a knife.

James Young. Convicted in the county court of Prince Edward March, 1898, of robbery. Sentenced to one year in the penitentiary. Commuted to six months in jail July 28, 1898. From a review of the evidence in the case by the Commonwealth's attorney, which is concurred in by the trial judge, the punishment was too severe.

Conditional Pardons.

Charles H. Butler. Convicted in the hustings court, city of Richmond, April, 1897, of forgery. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned April 4, 1898. Pardon granted on condition that he abstain from intoxicating drink, and that he does not again violate the penal laws of the State. Pardon recommended by the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, jury, and many prominent citizens of Richmond, Va.

Eddie Baylor. Convicted in the county court of Caroline December, 1898, of robbery and destroying property. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned January 26, 1899. Pardon recommended by the judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and jury. The Commonwealth's attorney stating "that there was no proof of any overt act by Eddie Baylor. He was convicted because he was present when the overt act was committed." The prisoner is only seventeen years old, and is pardoned on condition that he does not again violate the penal laws of the Commonwealth.

William A. Brittain. Convicted in the hustings court, city of Richmond, February, 1899, of unlawful shooting. Sentence, nine months in jail. Pardoned August 7, 1899, upon condition that he will in future abstain from intoxicating liquors, which was the cause of his trouble, on recommendation of the trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and the party against whom the offence was committed.

W. S. Crew. Convicted in the police court, city of Richmond, April, 1898, of resisting arrest. Sentence, three months in jail, and \$20.00 fine. Pardon granted April 21, 1898, on condition that he abstain from intoxicating drink. Pardon recommended by the trial justice, the mayor, and police officer who made the arrest.

William Cobbler. Convicted in the corporation court of Danville March, 1898, of unlawful assault. Sentence, three months in jail, and fined \$5.00 and costs.

Pardoned April 22, 1898, upon condition that he pay the fine and costs, on recommendation of the trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and nearly all the jury.

Charley Cousins. Convicted in the county court of Charlotte February, 1898, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned on condition that he does not again violate the penal laws of the State December 19, 1898, on recommendation of the trial judge, Commonwealth's attorney, and jury.

Fred H. Carter. Convicted in the corporation court, city of Winchester, of grand larceny, October, 1897. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned on condition that he does not again violate the penal laws of the Commonwealth, March 22, 1899. Prisoner has served all but a few months of his sentence, and his pardon is recommended by the judge and Commonwealth's attorney.

Mannie Coe. Convicted in the county court of Smyth April, 1897, of rape. Sentence, ten years in the penitentiary. Pardoned conditionally September 8, 1899, on recommendation of eleven of the jury, the judge, and Commonwealth's attorney, who say, "we are inclined to the belief that subsequent developments and the statement of the principal prosecuting witness have raised great doubts as to the guilt of the party. The prosecutrix herself certifying that no violence was committed upon her, and that she was compelled to take out the warrant to escape punishment at the hands of her father."

Wilton Crump. Convicted in the county court of Henrico September, 1899, of house breaking. Sentence, five years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 17, 1899, on condition that he serve out his sentence in the Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia.

Spencer Cox. Convicted in the county court of Henrico November, 1899, of highway robbery. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned November 29, 1899, on condition that he serve out his sentence in the Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia.

Isadore Cottrell. Convicted in the county court of Henrico November, 1899, of horse stealing. Sentence, five years in the penitentiary. Pardoned November 29, 1899, on condition that he serve out his sentence in the Laurel Reformatory.

Frank J. Clark. Convicted in the police court, city of Richmond, November 21, 1899, of petit larceny. Sentence, four months in jail. Granted November 25, 1899, on condition that he does not again violate the penal laws.

James M. Fisher. Convicted in the mayor's court, city of Radford, January, 1898, of drunkenness and maltreating his wife. Sentence, one year in jail, and \$100.00 fine. Pardoned on condition that he abstain from intoxicating liquors and does not again violate the penal laws, on a petition signed by the wife of the prisoner, the mayor who tried him, the corporation judge, and Commonwealth's attorney, and from a personal knowledge of the parties concerned.

Willie Fox. Convicted in the hustings court, city of Richmond, June, 1899,

of house breaking. Sentence, twelve months in jail. Pardoned October 11, 1899, on condition that he serve out his sentence in the Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia.

Ballard Gibson. Convicted in the county court of Alleghany January, 1899, of assault. Sentence, twelve months in jail. Pardoned October 22, 1898, on condition that he abstain from intoxicating liquors. The prisoner has served ten months of his sentence and had been in jail three months prior to conviction. His health is failing and the judge and physician recommend that he be released.

Elizabeth Gibson. Convicted in the county court of Franklin March, 1893, of arson. Sentence, ten years in penitentiary. Conditionally pardoned April 18, 1899, on certificate of the surgeon of the penitentiary that she has softening of the brain and heart disease. She is 65 years old, and her son agrees to take care of her.

William Glascoe. Convicted in the county court of Richmond April, 1899, of unlawful shooting. Sentence, one year in the penitentiary. Pardoned conditionally May 15, 1899, on petition of Hon. W. A. Jones, and endorsed by the county judge, who states, "That the evidence as to who fired the first shot was conflicting, and there was evidence of other shooting than that done by the prisoner."

Booker Hash. Convicted in the county court of Washington September, 1899, of highway robbery. Sentence, eleven years in penitentiary. Granted conditionally June 20, 1898. The pardon is granted at the request of all the employees at the State capitol, where the prisoner has been a trusty for some time. He was one of four sentenced for the same offense. Two have died in prison, and the other has served his sentence out. The prisoner was given three years longer because he plead not guilty at the trial.

Beauty Holmes. Convicted in the police of the city of Richmond January 4, 1899, of petit larceny (two charges). Sentence, ninety days in each case. Pardoned April 8, 1899, on condition that he does not again violate the penal laws of the State. His pardon is asked for by two well known members of the Richmond police force, who know the boy.

Hugh Hart. Convicted in the county court of Smyth April, 1897, of rape. Sentence, ten years in the penitentiary. Conditional pardon granted September 30, 1899. This is a companion case to that of Mannie Coe, the reasons for which are given above in his case. Pardon is granted the prisoner for same reasons given in Coe's case.

Andrew Johnson. Convicted in the county court of Prince Edward February, 1899, of horse stealing. Sentence, three years in penitentiary. Pardoned on condition that he does not again violate the penal laws of the State, on the petition of the trial judge, who states that had he known the fact that the boy was of such weak mental capacity, he would have set the verdict aside. His recommendation is concurred in by the Commonwealth's attorney.

Noble Murray. Convicted in the justices court of Loudoun county March, 1898 Sentence, six months in jail and \$20.00 fine in two cases. Granted conditionally December 3, 1898. Pardon granted on application of trial justice and Commonwealth's attorney, on condition that he does not again violate the penal laws.

Luther Martin. Convicted in the county court of Giles February, 1896, of forgery, three indictments. Sentence, two years in each case. Pardoned January 5, 1899, on condition that he does not again violate the penal laws of the Commonwealth. Pardon was asked for by the judge, Commonwealth's attorney and the party whose name was forged. The amount of money obtained was less than ten dollars.

Walter Murray. Convicted in justice's court of Loudoun county March 4, 1898. Sentence, two years in jail and fined \$70. Pardoned on condition that he pay one-half the fine, and do not again violate the penal laws. The prisoner has served half his sentence and his pardon is asked for by the trial justice.

Frank Phillips. Convicted in the corporation court, city of Fredericksburg, September, 1895, of forgery. Sentence, four years in the penitentiary. Pardoned on condition that he does not again violate the penal laws, on recommendation of the judge, nine of the jury, and many prominent citizens. The prisoner has a large family dependent upon him for support. Pardon granted October 31, 1898.

Nat Robinson. Convicted in the justice's court, Loudoun county, January 8, 1898, of larceny. Sentence, three months in jail and \$20.00 fine. Pardoned conditionally March 7, 1898. Granted on condition that he pay the fine and costs, on recommendation of the trial justice.

Charles Royster. Convicted in the circuit court of Cumberland county May 4, 1890, of murder in the second degree. Sentence, eighteen years in penitentiary. Conditionally pardoned April 19, 1899, on certificate of the surgeon at the State farm that the prisoner has consumption, and further confinement would result in his death.

Jacob Shipp. Convicted in the county court of Rockingham, March 30, 1889, of murder in the second degree. Sentence, eighteen years in the penitentiary. Conditional pardon granted May 25, 1899. The crime for which the prisoner was convicted was not premeditated and was without malice. The fatal shot was fired simultaneously with a blow struck the prisoner by the deceased with an iron pipe. The prisoner has served more than ten years and has been sufficiently punished.

William Henry Turner. Convicted in the corporation court of Manchester October, 1893, of burglary. Sentence, five years in the penitentiary (five years added for second conviction). Pardoned on condition that he does not again violate the penal laws of the State December 20, 1898. Pardon recommended by both the corporation and circuit judges, the Commonwealth's attorney, all the city officers, and the senator and representatives from that district.

Conditional Pardons

Granted on Recommendation of the Board of Pardons.

James Akers. Convicted in the county court of Pulaski September, 1894, of highway robbery. Sentence, eight years in penitentiary. Pardoned August 18, 1898.

George Archer. Convicted in the county court of Brunswick March, 1898, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned March 25, 1899.

Charles Austin. Convicted in the county court of Montgomery county, of cattle stealing. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Transferred to the Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia, September, 1899.

R. W. Booker. Convicted in the county court of Amelia January, 1897, of attempt at rape. Sentenced to three years in the penitentiary. Pardoned June 25, 1898.

William Bradley. Convicted in the county court of Scott April, 1892, of murder in the second degree. Sentence, ten years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1898.

William Bruce. Convicted in the county court of Amherst April, 1893, of murder in the second degree. Sentence, ten years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1898.

Agnes Burnett. Convicted in the county court of Brunswick July, 1895, of murder in the second degree. Sentence, five years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1898.

James H. Bonner. Convicted in the county court of Appomattox, February 1897, of bigamy. Sentence, three years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1898.

Jackson Burns. Convicted in the corporation court of Winchester, January, 1897, of bigamy. Sentence, three years in penitentiary. Pardoned January 30, 1899.

Bernard Brooks. Convicted in the county court of Fauquier January, 1896, of malicious shooting. Sentence, seven years in the penitentiary. Pardoned July 24, 1899.

John Burns. Convicted in the county court of Nansemond November, 1897, of car breaking. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned July 24, 1899.

James Brown. Convicted in the corporation court of Alexandria July, 1894, of malicious shooting. Sentence, eight years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 20, 1899.

Joe. Bowles. Convicted in the corporation court of Charlottesville August, 1899, of house breaking. Sentence, four years in the penitentiary. Transferred to the Negro Reformatory, September, 1899.

A. J. Barnes. Convicted in the county court of Elizabeth City June, 1899, of grand larceny. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned November 29, 1899.

Joe. Baylor. Convicted in the county court of Caroline December, 1898, of rioting and destroying property. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned December 21, 1899.

James Brander. Convicted in the county court of Pittsylvania August, 1898, of malicious assault. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned December 21, 1899.

Grafty Craft. Convicted in the county court of Pittsylvania November, 1894, of house breaking and horse stealing. Sentence, eight years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 21, 1898.

E. J. Carroll. Convicted in the county court of Alleghany July, 1897, of forgery. Sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned February 11, 1899.

Steve Collins. Convicted in the hustings court of Bristol August, 1898, of malicious cutting. Sentence, one year in the penitentiary. Pardoned March 25, 1899.

Pig Cousins, Edward Cousins, John Cousins. Convicted in the county court of Pittsylvania October, 1898, of unlawful assault. Sentence, one year in penitentiary. Pardoned May 20, 1899.

Squire Clements. Convicted in the county court of Pittsylvania June, 1895, of forgery. Sentence, five years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 21, 1898.

Hezekiah Carter. Convicted in the county court of Fauquier January, 1897, of unlawful cutting. Sentence, five years in penitentiary. Pardoned July 24, 1899.

Isadore M. Clark. Convicted in the county court of Campbell November, 1898, of cattle stealing. Sentence, one and one-half years in the penitentiary. Pardoned November 29, 1899.

E. F. Carter. Convicted in the county court of Scott March 14, 1896, of murder in second degree. Sentence, seven years in penitentiary. Pardoned May 30, 1899.

William Dearing. Convicted in the county court of Franklin March, 1896, of house breaking. Sentence, four years in penitentiary. Pardoned July 22, 1898.

Edward Dabney. Convicted in the county court of Henrico September, 1897, of seduction. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned November 27, 1898.

Magnus Dixon. Convicted in the county court of Montgomery May, 1898, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned April 22, 1899.

William Damm. Convicted in the corporation court of Fredericksburg September, 1896, of house burning. Sentence, four years in penitentiary. Pardoned December 1, 1898.

Joseph Frye. Convicted in the county court of Greene July, 1895, of rape. Sentence, eighteen years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 21, 1898.

Tenny Funn. Convicted in the corporation court, city of Richmond February, 1898, of malicious assault. Sentence, one and one-half years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 21, 1898.

Clarence Fury. Convicted in the county court of Botetourt January, 1898, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned January 30, 1899.

Weldon Fizer. Convicted in the county court of Bedford August 1896, of burglary. Sentence, six years in penitentiary. Pardoned December 21, 1899.

Charles Goodvitch. Convicted in the county court of Greenville May, 1897, of unlawful shooting. Sentence, three years in penitentiary. Pardoned July 27, 1898.

Ribe Gillespie. Convicted in the county court of Smyth May, 1898, of felony. Sentence, one year in penitentiary. Pardoned May 25, 1899.

William T. Gaul. Convicted in the hustings court, city of Richmond, November, 1894, of murder in second degree. Sentenced, five years in the penitentiary. Pardoned July 26, 1898.

Henry Griffith. Convicted in the county court of Russell April, 1898, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 20, 1899.

Edward Hamilton. Convicted in the county court of Henrico June, 1897, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned July 27, 1898.

Doll Hatchell. Convicted in the county court of Mecklenburg May, 1896, of house breaking. Sentence, three and a half years in penitentiary. Pardoned July 27, 1898.

William Hodge. Convicted in the county court of Bland August, 1897, of unlawful assault. Sentence, one year in penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1898,

Fletcher Hannon. Convicted in the county court of Elizabeth City February, 1894, of malicious burning. Sentence, six years in penitentiary. Pardoned November 28, 1898.

Alfred Hawkins. Convicted in the county court of Tazewell July 20, 1898, of grand larceny. Sentence, one year in penitentiary. Pardoned April 22, 1899.

Jesse Hilton. Convicted in the county court of Russell October, 1898, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned September 8, 1899.

Sam Hall. Convicted in the county court of Pittsylvania May, 1897, of house breaking, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary. Granted pardon November 28, 1898, upon the recommendation of the board of pardons.

Lee R. Hansberry. Convicted in the county court of Augusta county July, 1896, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary; five years added for second conviction. Pardoned November 29, 1899.

John Johnson. Convicted in the county court of Culpeper March, 1888, of horse stealing. Sentence, fifteen years in the penitentiary. Pardoned June 11, 1898.

Alice Jefferson. Convicted in the corporation court of Lynchburg October, 1888, of murder in the second degree. Sentence, eighteen years in penitentiary. Pardoned July 22, 1898.

Buck Jones. Convicted in the county court of Mecklenburg September, 1897, of malicious cutting. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned November 28, 1898.

James Johnson. Convicted in the corporation court of the city of Lynchburg, July, 1899, of malicious burning. Sentence, twelve years in penitentiary. Transferred to the Negro Reformatory Association September 8, 1899.

Spencer Kirby. Convicted in the county court of Pittsylvania December, 1898, of malicious shooting. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned December 21, 1899.

Willis Lee. Convicted in the county court of Brunswick June, 1897, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 18, 1898.

Fountain Lewis. Convicted in the corporation court of Roanoke January, 1898, of malicious cutting. Sentence, one year in penitentiary. Pardoned October 18, 1898.

Joseph Leary. Convicted in the corporation court of Richmond April, 1895, of burglary. Sentence, five years in the penitentiary. Pardoned November 27, 1898.

Hamilton Lee. Convicted in the county court of Buchanan November, 1897, of voluntary manslaughter. Sentence, three years in penitentiary. Pardoned November 29, 1899.

W. W. Morris. Convicted in the county court of Rockingham May, 1897, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned July 27, 1898.

Haynes Miller. Convicted in the county court of Pittsylvania August, 1897, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 21, 1898.

George Montgomery. Convicted in the county court of Carroll October, 1897, of forgery. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned March 24, 1899.

Clarke Martin. Convicted in the county court of Smyth September, 1897, of unlawful assault. Sentence, three years in penitentiary. Pardoned July 24, 1899.

Albert Nash. Convicted in the county court of Wise May, 1898, of voluntary manslaughter. Sentence, one year in penitentiary. Pardoned December 23, 1898.

Thomas Null. Convicted in the county court of Washington, March, 1898, of unlawful shooting. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned March 25, 1899.

Frank Ourbey. Convicted in the county court of Wise March, 1897, of car breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned July 22, 1898.

Victor Pope. Convicted in the county court of Isle of Wight August, 1896, of house breaking. Sentence, four years in penitentiary. Pardoned July 22, 1898.

Sylvester Pierce. Convicted in the county court of Grayson December, 1897, of cattle stealing. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned January 30, 1899.

Daniel Perdue. Convicted in the county court of Montgomery February, 1898,

of house breaking. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned April 22, 1899.

John Patterson. Convicted in the county court of Alleghany county June, 1898, of malicious shooting. Sentence, three years in the penitentiary. Pardoned November 29, 1899.

John F. Pratt. Convicted in the county court of Pulaski, January, 1899, of felony. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned December 6, 1899.

Preston Quillan. Convicted in the county court of Scott August, 1898, of voluntary manslaughter. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned July 24, 1899.

Lucien Randall. Convicted in the county court of Alleghany March, 1897, of house breaking. Sentence, two and a half years in the penitentiary. Pardoned July 27, 1898.

Tobe Richardson. Convicted in the county court of Accomac July, 1895, of malicious cutting. Sentence, four years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1898.

Paddy Ryan. Convicted in the corporation court of Newport News September, 1897, of grand larceny. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned March 25, 1899.

Robert Ring. Convicted in the county court of Dickenson April, 1898, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 20, 1899.

W. P. Roy. Convicted in the county court of Russell April, 1898, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 20, 1899.

Adam Robertson. Convicted in the county court of Pittsylvania May, 1897, of unlawful assault. Sentence, three years in penitentiary. Pardoned June 30, 1899.

William J. Rose. Convicted in the county court of Dickenson September, 1895, of murder in the second degree. Sentence, eight years in the penitentiary. Pardoned June 30, 1899.

W. D. Smith. Convicted in the corporation court of Radford May, 1897, of larceny. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned June 27, 1898.

B. H. Smith. Convicted in the corporation court of Radford April, 1897, of accessory to house breaking and receiving stolen goods. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned August 22, 1898.

A. L. Snelling. Convicted in the county court of Spotsylvania February, 1893, of murder in the second degree. Sentence, eleven years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1898.

John Stewart. Convicted in the county court of Henrico November, 1897, of unlawful assault. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned November 1, 1898.

Kent Stratton. Convicted in the county court of Pulaski of perjury August, 1896. Sentence, three years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1898.

William Sergeant. Convicted in the county court of Wise November, 1897, of car breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned January 30, 1899.

Will Shiplett. Convicted in the county court of Greene March, 1898, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned March 25, 1899.

John Smaw. Convicted in the county court of Northampton of malicious cutting. Sentence, one year in penitentiary. Pardoned March 25, 1899.

Scott Ross. Convicted in the hustings court of Staunton September, 1894, and sentenced to six and a half years for malicious shooting. Pardon granted October 10, 1898.

Leroy Stroup. Convicted in the hustings court, city of Richmond, May, 1898, of horse stealing. Sentence, eighteen years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 20, 1899.

John Tyler. Convicted in the corporation court of Roanoke July, 1897, of attempt at rape. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Granted September 17, 1898.

Charles Thompson. Convicted in the hustings court, city of Richmond, December, 1897, of unlawful assault. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned March 25, 1899.

Dathius Tynes. Convicted in the county court of Nansemond June, 1898, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Transferred to Negro Reformatory Association September 8, 1899.

W. J. Urquhart. Convicted in the county court of Nansemond August 15, 1895, of murder in the second degree. Sentence, five years in penitentiary. Pardoned August 25, 1898.

Jim Vestry. Convicted in the county court of Nansemond November, 1894, of malicious maiming. Sentence, five years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1895.

George E. West. Convicted in the county court of Accomac November, 1894, unlawful shooting. Sentence, five years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1898.

Edward Winn. Convicted in the county court of Prince George November, 1897, of malicious cutting. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 21, 1898.

Zaney Wells. Convicted in the county court of Albemarle, July, 1894, of attempt at rape. Sentence, ten years in penitentiary. Pardoned February 25, 1899.

Alexander Weathers. Convicted in the county court of Frederick February, 1898, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in the penitentiary. Pardoned May 20, 1899.

Johnson Wallace. Convicted in the county court of Elizabeth City January, 1899, of malicious assault. Sentence, three years in the penitentiary. Pardoned June 9, 1899.

Samuel Williams. Convicted in the county court of Nelson August, 1899, of house breaking. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Transferred to Negro Reformatory Association September 8, 1899.

Riley Webb, *alias* Mann. Convicted in the county court of Franklin September, 1897, of voluntary manslaughter. Sentence, four years in penitentiary. Pardoned September 7, 1899.

Ossian Weeks. Convicted in the county court of Northampton July, 1898, of malicious cutting. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned October 20, 1899.

Lucy White. Convicted in the county court of Elizabeth City February, 1897, of forgery. Sentence, three years in the penitentiary. Pardoned October 10, 1898.

William M. Young. Convicted in the county court of Pulaski July, 1896, of murder in the second degree. Sentence, two years in penitentiary. Pardoned December 23, 1899.

Report of the Commission

APPOINTED UNDER JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF VIRGINIA, APPROVED MARCH 6, 1894, WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY THE STATE IN CONNECTION WITH FUNDING AND SETTLEMENT OF THE PUBLIC DEBT.

RICHMOND, VA., February 7, 1900.

To the General Assembly of Virginia :

The undersigned, your Commission, instituted under the joint resolution of the General Assembly entitled "a joint resolution to provide for adjusting with the State of West Virginia the proportion of the debt proper to be borne by West Virginia, for the application of whatever may be received from West Virginia, to the payment of those found entitled to the same," approved March 6, 1894, beg leave to make a further report of their proceedings up to this date.

By the report of your Commission, dated January 28, 1896, and printed as Senate Document No. 10 in the Senate Journal, and Documents of 1895-6, and as House Document No. 4 in House Journal of same session, it appears that the Commission was duly organized and received the assurances required in said joint resolution from the holders of a majority in amount of the certificates referred to in said resolution, that they desired the Commission to undertake the negotiations contemplated in said resolution and would accept the amount ascertained by the Commission to be paid by the State of West Virginia in full settlement of their claims.

It further appears from said report that this fact was communicated by the Governor of this State to the Governor of West Virginia, and this communication was laid before the legislature of the latter State.

But so far from the legislature of West Virginia being willing to enter into any negotiations on the subject, your Commission is informed that they have passed the following resolutions :

"Resolved, That this legislature hereby declines to negotiate with the Debt Commissioners or Commission, appointed under a joint resolution adopted by the General Assembly of Virginia in March, 1894, looking to a settlement of the Virginia debt question on the basis set forth in said joint resolution."

The assurances above referred to were given by the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company of New York, who, together with the committee, acting jointly with them, held at that time a large majority in amount of these certificates out of the total of \$15,520,057.43 then outstanding and held by the public.

The contract under which the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company and said committee could guarantee the absolute control and disposition of said certificates ceased to be operative in the opinion of your Commission as a safe basis of negotiation on the 15th day of June, 1895, because after that date the owners of said certificates had the right to withdraw the same from said company.

Subsequently an agreement was entered into between John Crosby Brown, George Coppel, and others as a committee on the one hand, and certain holders of said certificates on the other, dated July 28, 1898, under which your Commission is informed that \$8,224,670.78 of said certificates, which is more than a majority of the total of \$15,543,424.93 now outstanding, have been deposited with and pledged to said committee, the depository of the committee being Messrs. Brown Bros. & Co., bankers, of New York, and of these the amount of \$6,629,304.50 are the certificates of 1871, being more than a majority of that class outstanding. Your Commission herewith files a copy of this last-named agreement, and also a letter from Mr. John Crosby Brown, chairman, stating he is willing to give your Commission the assurances required in the joint resolution, which includes the condition that the certificate holders will accept in full settlement of their claims what may be realized from West Virginia.

Mr. Brown appeared in person with Mr. Clarence Cary, another member of the committee, on yesterday before your Commission, and expressed his willingness on behalf of his committee and of Brown Bros. & Co., of which he is a member, to make such disposition of these certificates as your Commission might require under said joint resolution.

They also laid before your Commission and filed copies of the plan of settlement agreed upon under the contract of July 28th, 1898, which gave them power to take the action proposed.

Your Commission also received a communication as of February 5th, 1900, from Mr. H. C. Fahnestock, of New York, shown in the former report of your Commission to have acted for the Farmers Loan & Trust Company's Committee, stating that they had not changed their position in any way since their letter of December 13th, 1894, filed with the former report of your Commission, in which they agreed to accept in full settlement what might be realized from West Virginia.

But in view of the fact that the functions of your Commission are limited solely to negotiating a settlement with West Virginia, and her legislature has so peremptorily declined even to consider the matter, your Commission deems it useless to attempt now to open communications with West Virginia, and submits the facts to the General Assembly of Virginia for its action.

The subject is one involving a certain degree of responsibility upon the State, which it appears to be in her power now to discharge without expense or liability, but which, if neglected, may lead to complications resulting injuriously to her.

It will be observed that the larger portions of these certificates, amounting to between twelve and thirteen millions, were issued by the State under the act of 1871, and are in the following form :

"This certifies that \$..... are due unto, or his assigns, being $\frac{1}{2}$ of bond numbered, surrendered under the act approved March 30, 1871; and payment of said $\frac{1}{2}$ with interest will be provided for in accordance with such settlement as shall hereafter be had between the States of Virginia and West Virginia in regard to the public debt of Virginia at the time of its dismemberment; and Virginia holds said bonds, so far as unfunded, in trust for the holder hereof or his assigns."

The Wheeling ordinance, under which it has been held by the Supreme Court of the United States that the State of West Virginia was created, provides as follows:

"The new State shall take upon itself a just proportion of the public debt of the Commonwealth, prior to January 1, 1861, to be ascertained by charging to it all State expenditures within the limits thereof, and a just proportion of the ordinary expenses of the State government, since any part of said debt was first contracted, and deducting therefrom the moneys paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth from the counties included within the new State during the same period."

But whatever be the basis of settlement adopted the State of Virginia would be protected in any contingency, if the offer of a sufficient number of the certificate holders to guarantee to the State the acceptance by them of what may be realized from West Virginia in full settlement of their claims, were accepted.

There are held by the United States certain unfunded bonds of the original State of Virginia as to which the State claims a set-off, but the account is unadjusted.

An act of Congress was passed March 3d, 1899, of which the title, with an extract therefrom, is as follows:

"U. S. STATUTES AT LARGE, 1897-1899, PAGE 1356-8.

CHAPTER 445.

"An act to amend an act entitled 'an act to reimburse the Governors of States and Territories for expenses incurred by them in aiding the United States to raise and organize and supply and equip the volunteer army of the United States in the existing war with Spain,' approved July eighth, eighteen hundred and ninety-eight, and for other purposes.

(Extract.)

"Section 4. That the expenses incurred by the Governors of States in carrying out the provisions of this Act shall be paid to them, notwithstanding any unsettled accounts, claims, or indebtedness of the United States against their States, and without prejudice to such unsettled accounts; provided, that when such unsettled account is caused by a default in payment of principal or interest on any bonds or stocks issued or guaranteed by any State, the ownership of which is vested in the United States, the Secretary of the Treasury be, and he is hereby, authorized and directed to institute any act or proceeding which he may consider advisable against such State or its representatives to secure the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds or stocks, approved March 3, 1899."

It thus appears possible that proceedings may be instituted upon these old bonds, to which Virginia and West Virginia would be parties, and in which the liability of the two States respectively in connection with these bonds might be adjudicated without Virginia having the protection which would be afforded her by the guarantee now offered by the certificate holders.

It would seem to your commission therefore advisable that some of the officials or public functionaries of the State should be empowered by the General Assembly to take such action or institute such proceedings as may appear to be necessary to protect the State's interest in the premises, and to that end to receive or have deposited within their control at least two-thirds in amount of the certificates of 1871, exclusive of those held by the State through the agency of the Board of Education and the Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners, and at least a majority of all the other certificates with the guarantee on the part of the holders of the certificates so received or deposited that they will accept the amount ascertained to be paid by West Virginia through the agency of such officials or functionaries in full settlement of the one-third of the debt of the original State of Virginia, which has not been assumed by the present State of Virginia.

The Constitution of Virginia, Art. X, section 19, provides as follows:

"The General Assembly shall provide by law for adjusting with the State of West Virginia the proportion of the public debt of Virginia proper to be borne by the State of Virginia and West Virginia, and shall provide that such sum as shall be received from West Virginia shall be applied to the payment of the public debt of the State."

The Constitution of West Virginia provides that:

"An equitable proportion of the public debt of the Commonwealth of Virginia prior to the first day of January, in the year 1861, shall be assumed by this State: and the legislature shall ascertain the same as soon as may be practicable, and provide for the liquidation thereof."

Your Commission is of the opinion that in view of the amount of the interests involved in this subject it cannot be expected to remain quiescent, but will continue to recur in one shape or another, and they believe the present opportunity for disposing of it a favorable one.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. MOON.
J. THOMPSON BROWN.
W. F. RHEA.
HENRY H. DOWNING.
H. T. WICKHAM.
RANDOLPH HARRISON.
H. D. FLOOD.

Attest: JOSEPH BUTTON, *Secretary*.

NEW YORK, February 5th, 1900.

To the Virginia Commission appointed under joint resolution of the General Assembly of Virginia, approved March 6th, 1894, chapter 747 of the Session Acts of 1893-4 of said General Assembly:

The undersigned Chairman of the Committee acting under an agreement of July 20th, 1898, with respect to the holders of the certificates mentioned in said joint resolution, begs leave to state that his committee has received under said agreement, and has pledged to it to come in under said agreement, certificates to the amount of \$8,224,670.78, with respect to which the said committee is ready to give such reasonable assurances under the said joint resolution as will authorize your Commission to proceed with negotiations, as provided for in said joint resolution; such assurances to be given in pursuance of the plan of settlement as approved by the Advisory Board to said Committee and dated June 21st, 1899.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN CROSBY BROWN, *Chairman.*

Of the above, \$6,629,304.50 are the certificates of 1871.

WEST VIRGINIA DEBT SETTLEMENT.

AGREEMENT UNDER WHICH THE CERTIFICATES WILL BE DEPOSITED.

Committee.

John Crosby Brown, Chairman,
J. Kennedy Tod, George Coppel.
Clarence Cary.

Advisory Board.

Thomas F. Bayard, Edward J. Phelps,
W. Pinkney Whyte, George G. Williams.

Depository.

Brown Brothers & Company, 59 Wall Street, New York City.

Secretary of Committee.

Robert L. Harrison,
59 Wall Street, New York City.

Counsel.

Cary & Whitridge,
59 Wall Street, New York City.

This Agreement between JOHN CROSBY BROWN, GEORGE COPPELL, J. KENNEDY TOD and CLARENCE CARY, herein styled "The Committee," parties of the first part, and such holders of the certificates herein mentioned as deposit hereunder, parties of the second part.

WHEREAS, The present State of Virginia enacted laws providing for issuing certificates for one-third of the debt of the original State, and more than \$12,000,000 of such certificates recite :

"That payment will be provided for in accordance with such settlement as shall hereafter be had between the States of Virginia and West Virginia in regard to the public debt of Virginia existing at the time of its dismemberment."

AND WHEREAS, it is believed that West Virginia's proportion of said debt, if ascertained as provided by the Ordinance under which Virginia was divided, is less than the amount of the certificates which have been issued by Virginia; and it is considered that, under such circumstances, neither State should, or will incur any obligations respecting said debt unless its legislature has an undoubted guarantee that substantially all of the certificates will be promptly surrendered in exchange for whatever amount West Virginia agrees to pay and the creditors of West Virginia may agree to accept.

WITNESSETH :

1st. The following gentlemen shall constitute an Advisory Board in this behalf, to-wit: Thomas F. Bayard, W. Pinkney Whyte, Edward J. Phelps and George G. Williams.

The function of said Board is to examine such plan of settlement as may be proposed by the Committee, representing the holders of the certificates, and submitted to them in accordance with this agreement, and to state their recommendation thereof or the contrary.

Said board may add to their number, and any vacancy may be filled by the remaining members.

2d. The function of the Committee is :

(a) To bring about the deposit, under this agreement, as far as may be practicable, of said certificates, or of the trust receipts heretofore issued to represent them.

(b) To formulate a plan of settlement, and, after it has been recommended by the Advisory Board, cause the same to be published and submitted to depositing creditors for their acceptance as herein provided.

(c) To act as agent of the depositing creditors in carrying out the purposes of this agreement.

(d) The Committee shall appoint one or more depositories to receive said certificates or trust receipts, and issue therefor its proper receipt.

Subject to the restrictions herein, the Committee shall have power to perform any act to accomplish a settlement, and this includes power to make arrangements with either Virginia or West Virginia to insure the prompt surrender of all or any of the certificates in exchange for such amount as West Virginia may pay and her creditors agree to accept, and also includes power to execute, in behalf of the depositing creditors, any release or acquittance which will exclude any demand on Virginia beyond the amount she may receive from West Virginia; PROVIDED that no settlement shall be concluded until it has been recommended by the Advisory Board, and has also been submitted to creditors and accepted as follows, to-wit:

(1.) As soon as a plan of settlement has been recommended by the Advisory Board, the Committee shall, before proposing it to the State, advertise for at least twice a week for three weeks in two of the newspapers published in New York City and London, that a plan of settlement has been formulated, and notifying parties in interest where said plan may be obtained in said cities without cost.

(2.) If within thirty days after the first publication of said advertisement holders of a majority of the face value of the deposited certificates notify the Committee, in writing, either directly or through any depository, of their unwillingness to accept the proposed settlement, then said settlement shall not be consummated. If the Committee is not so notified within said thirty days, then it shall be assumed that the proposed plan, being satisfactory to a majority, is accepted by all the depositing creditors, and it shall be offered to said States or either of them to be carried into effect by appropriate legislation.

3d. After a plan of settlement has become effective (of which fact the declaration in writing of the Committee to the several depositories shall be conclusive), each depository shall, in the manner directed by the Committee, surrender to either State, as may be necessary, any or all of the certificates deposited with it, and receive in exchange therefor the amount or kinds of securities called for by the plan of settlement.

The amount so received in settlement shall be immediately delivered to depositing creditors, in accordance with the terms of settlement.

The Committee may arrange for the purchase and sale of such fractional interests as may be necessary to equalize distribution.

4th. Each depositor shall, when he receives his new bonds in settlement, pay to the depository, for account of the Committee, such a commission as the Committee may assess for the charges and expenses of settlement, including the compensation of the Committee, Counsel and Advisory Board, but such assessment shall in no event exceed five per cent. in cash on the par of any certificate deposited under this agreement.

If the Committee decide at any time that a settlement satisfactory to holders cannot be promptly effected, they may publish a notice requiring holders to pay so much of twenty cents per \$100 of certificates as may be necessary to reimburse the expenses actually incurred by the Committee. Any certificate, assessment on which is not paid within six months after such notice has been published twice a week for three consecutive weeks in two of the newspapers in New York and London, may be sold by the Depository and the proceeds, after paying its assessment, held for the holder of its corresponding receipt.

Any certificate may be withdrawn from deposit at any time after October 1, 1902, upon payment of its *pro rata* of expenses, not to exceed twenty cents per \$100 of certificates, unless a settlement has been previously arranged, or unless an arrangement has been made with Virginia for obtaining a settlement with West Virginia.

5th. The Committee may add to their number, and any vacancy may be filled by the remaining members. By unanimous consent of the members of the Committee any member may act by proxy.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the Committee have hereto set their hands this 28th day of July, 1898.

REPORT
OF
THE JOINT COMMITTEE
APPOINTED TO INVESTIGATE THE
Confederate Soldiers Home.

JOINT RESOLUTION appointing a committee to investigate the management of the Soldiers' Home (agreed to by Senate, December 11, and by the House of Delegates, December 12, 1899.)

Resolved (the House of Delegates concurring), That a joint committee, consisting of three from the Senate and five from the House, be appointed, whose duty it shall be to examine and enquire into the conduct, management and condition of the Confederate Soldiers' Home.

For this purpose said committee is hereby empowered to employ a clerk, if deemed by them necessary, and make report to their respective bodies. Said committee shall also report the contract between the State and R. E. Lee Camp under which the Home is operated.

REPORT.

To the General Assembly of Virginia:

GENTLEMEN,—The Special Committee appointed under the joint resolution prefixed, begs leave to report as follows:

They have examined into the conduct, management and condition of the Confederate Soldiers' Home, and after the examination of the books and accounts of said institution and hearing the evidence of a number of witnesses, they find that the Confederate Soldiers' Home, commonly called Lee Camp Soldiers' Home, is conducted under the auspices of R. E. Lee Camp No. 1, Confederate Veterans. Its management is vested in a Board of Visitors, composed of twenty-five of the members of said Camp, but it is practically carried on by the President of said Board of Visitors, an executive committee, resident in the city of Richmond, and a commandant and adjutant who reside at the Home.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

The financial affairs of the Home are administered by the executive committee, who have a Treasurer, who keeps the accounts of the committee, receives the funds coming to the Home and disburses them upon vouchers approved by the committee. Your committee examined the books and accounts of the treasurer, showing the receipts and disbursements of the Home for the year 1899, and several years previous, and find the funds of the Home handled by the executive committee, including the State appropriations, properly accounted for by appropriate vouchers. The books of the treasurer are accurately and neatly kept.

THE TREATMENT OF THE INMATES.

The treatment accorded to the inmates of the Home is on the whole satisfactory, and the relations existing between the management and the inmates friendly and in some instances cordial.

RATIONS.

The rations furnished to the inmates are perhaps as good as the appropriation and the means at the hand of the management will justify and the quantity is sufficient. While we say this, we think some improvement could be made by diversifying the rations, and we suggest to those charged with the duty of providing the food to have a greater variety, keeping the cost of the same, at the same time, within the appropriation.

QUARTERS.

We find the buildings and quarters clean and in good condition and the inmates comfortably housed and provided with fuel, leaving nothing to be suggested in that regard.

HOSPITAL.

The hospital is well conducted and the supplies for it in the way of clothing, bedding and medicine are amply sufficient. In this respect the testimony before the committee goes to show that it is not excelled by any of the homes for soldiers, State or national. The trained nurses employed are experienced in their profession, and are assiduous in their attentions to the wants of the hospital patients.

In this connection the committee takes pleasure in saying that every witness examined before them, including the petitioners and others, criticizing the general management of the Home, expressed themselves in the most kindly and grateful terms of the nurses and all the ladies employed at the Home.

THE COMMANDANT.

Your committee, after examining a number of witnesses, became convinced that the real cause of the complaint of the inmates was a friction between the inmates and the Commandant, growing out of the alleged difference in the food supplied to the Commandant and his family and the officers of the Home, and that supplied to the inmates. This arises from a peculiarity of the contract between the management of the Home and the Commandant, by which he is allowed a nominal salary of \$600 a year and furnished with a house, and he and his family boarded at the expense of the institution. It appears that the table of the Commandant, at which also the officers of the institution get their board, is set in the general mess hall in the sight of the inmates of the Home. The food at this table is much better than that generally supplied to the inmates, and it seems that the latter instituted a comparison between their own food and the food of the officers of the establishment, all of which was supplied out of the State appropriation. Having arrived at this point, the committee invited a conference with the Board of Visitors of Lee Camp, to which they cheerfully responded, and at a joint meeting with them suggestion was made by the committee that they should change the mode of compensation of the Commandant and the officers of the Home, paying them all fixed salaries, and requiring them to board themselves, or else to be boarded at the common mess table. This suggestion was readily accepted by the Board of Visitors, and by a resolution adopted by them it was agreed that the change would be made. It is hoped and believed by the committee that this will result in allaying any dissatisfaction felt by the inmates on account of what they conceive to be favors shown to the officers of the institution. Your committee deem it proper to say that the Board of Visitors of Lee Camp Soldiers' Home is composed of Confederate veterans, scattered throughout the State, men of known high character, heartily in sympathy with the objects of the Home, and that the executive committee now managing the affairs of the Home have been many long years patiently exerting themselves for the upbuilding of the Home, and that the thanks of the State is due them for their past efforts in that behalf.

EMPLOYMENT, DIVERSION AND AMUSEMENT.

It is apparent that a spirit of disquiet and restlessness is engendered amongst the inmates of the Home by their want of something to do, and the devising of some light and congenial employment for them is recommended to the Board of Visitors. The committee is of opinion that the establishment of a good library and reading-room at the Home, where those who have their pleasure in books might occupy themselves, and occasional amusement and proper recreation, would do much to dissipate the spirit of hopelessness incident to the condition of the veterans. For the benefit of those who cannot read, some one might be provided to read aloud one or two hours each day or on designated days. The consideration of this matter is suggested to the Board of Visitors.

THE CONTRACT.

Your committee was directed, in the resolution which has been referred to, to report the contract between the R. E. Lee Camp and the State of Virginia for the purchase of the Home by this State after the expiration of a certain number of years. That contract is embodied in an act of the General Assembly, approved the 3d day of March, 1892, Acts of Assembly 1891-2, page 978, and a deed from the Camp to the State, dated the 24th day of March, 1892, duly recorded in the clerk's office of the county court of Henrico county, to which a copy is appended to this report as a part thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN N. OPIE,
THOS. D. GOLD,
J. W. GREGORY,
D. S. POLLOCK,
T. L. TATE,
R. S. PARKS,
W. P. DUPUY.

COPY OF DEED FROM R. E. LEE CAMP, No. 1,
TO THE COMMONWEALTH.

WHEREAS, R. E. Lee Camp No. 1, Confederate Veterans (a corporation chartered under the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia), owns in fee simple that tract of land near the city of Richmond, in the county of Henrico, with the improvements thereon known as the Soldiers' Home, containing twenty-five acres, more or less, and

WHEREAS, at the session of 1891-2 of the General Assembly of Virginia an act was passed entitled "An act making an annual appropriation to the Confederate Soldiers' Home, and in consideration thereof, accepting a conveyance from R. E. Lee Camp No. 1, Confederate veterans, of the property owned by it, and now used for said Home," which act was approved March 3, 1892, and in force from its passage, and

WHEREAS, said Camp, at a meeting called for the purpose, a quorum being present, held March 4, 1892, by unanimous vote, accepted the provisions contained in the act of Assembly aforesaid, and empowered and directed Alexander W. Archer, Commander, and J. Taylor Stratton, Adjutant, of said Camp, to execute, acknowledge and deliver and record, a deed conveying to the Commonwealth of Virginia, the tract of land and the improvements thereon, known as "The Soldiers' Home," as aforesaid;

NOW THEREFORE, this deed made this, the 24th day of March, A. D., 1892, between R. E. Lee Camp No. 1, Confederate Veterans, of the first part, and the Commonwealth of Virginia, of the second part,

WITNESSETH, That for and in consideration of the annual appropriation to be paid by the party of the second part to the party of the first part, under the terms and conditions of the act of Assembly, approved March 3, 1892, as aforesaid, entitled "An Act making an annual appropriation to the Confederate Soldiers' Home," and in consideration therefor, accepting a conveyance from R. E. Lee Camp No. 1, Confederate Veterans, of the property owned by it and now used for said Home (which act is to be read as a part of this conveyance), the said party of the first part doth grant, bargain, sell and convey with general warranty, unto the party of the second part, that certain lot of land in the county of Henrico, near the city of Richmond, with the improvements now, or hereafter to be erected thereon, containing twenty-five acres, more or less, known as "The Soldiers' Home," and being a part of the property which was conveyed to the said party of the first part by deed from Channing M. Robertson and wife, dated November 8, 1884, and recorded in the clerk's office of the Henrico county court, in deed book 114, page 370. But the property hereby conveyed to the party of the second part, is conveyed upon condition that it shall not divest the possession or control of said property from the grantor, unless said grantor consents to surrender such possession and control before that time (which it may

do), as long as said property is used for the purpose for which it is now used, and which it is agreed will be twenty-two years from the passage of this act, and a further condition, that said Camp may erect or allow to be erected on said property or such location as may — agreed on between it and the Governor, any statue or statues to the memory of fallen Confederates.

Witness the following seal of the said Camp and the signatures of Alexander W. Archer, Commander, and J. Taylor Stratton, Adjutant, hereto subscribed, who have signed this deed and affixed the seal of the said Camp by the authority and direction of said Camp.

ALEXANDER W. ARCHER, [Seal.]
Commander R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, Confederate Veterans.

[SEAL.]

J. TAYLOR STRATTON, [Seal.]
Adjutant R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, Confederate Veterans.

STATE OF VIRGINIA, }
 CITY OF RICHMOND, } to-wit:

I, Carlton McCarthy, a Notary Public in and for the city aforesaid, in the State of Virginia, do hereby certify that Alexander W. Archer, Commander, and J. Taylor Stratton, Adjutant of R. E. Lee Camp, No. 1, Confederate Veterans, to me known, personally appeared before me in my said city, and made oath that said Archer is Commander and the said Stratton is Adjutant of said Camp; that they know the corporate seal of said Camp; that the seal affixed to the writing above, dated on the 24th day of March, 1892, is such corporate seal, and that it was so affixed by them by order of said Camp; and that they subscribed their names thereto as Commander and Adjutant by like order of said Camp, and that they have acknowledged the foregoing writing before me in my said city.

Given under my hand this 24th day of March, 1892.

CARLTON MCCARTHY, N. P.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
 RICHMOND, VA., March 25th, 1892.

The above deed is in form and substance acceptable to me and received for the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Given under my hand the day and year above written.

R. TAYLOR SCOTT,
Attorney-General.

This deed was presented in the clerk's office of Henrico county court on the 25th day of March, 1892, and, with the certificates annexed, admitted to record at 3 o'clock P. M.

Teste: SAMUEL P. WADDILL, C. H. C.

SENATE DOC. No. VIII.

LIST
OF
CHARTERS

LODGED IN THE OFFICE OF THE

Secretary of the Commonwealth,

GRANTED BY THE

CIRCUIT AND CORPORATION COURTS

OF THE

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA,

FROM

JANUARY 1, 1898, TO DECEMBER 31, 1899.

LIST OF CHARTERS

LODGED IN THE OFFICE OF

THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Ackerly Printing and Book-binding Company.
Antioquia Mining Company.
A. F. Withrow Lumber Company (amendment).
American Drama Company.
Automatic Gas and Gasoline Engine Company.
Agudis Achim of Lynchburg.
American Manganese Company.
American Engineering Company.
American Purchasing Agency.
Atlantic Varnish Works.
American Contracting Company.
Atlantic Land and Improvement Company.
American Parchment, Bag and Envelope Company.
Air Line Land Company.
Alhambra Company (amendment).
American Ether Company, of Richmond, Va.
Acetylene Gas Machine Company.
Agudas Achim (amendment).
Agudas Scholom (amendment).
Alexandria Home Club.
Acetylene Gas Machine Company.
Alexander, F. G., Company.
A. J. Chewing Company.
Atlantic Coast Lumber Company.
American Locomotive Appliance Company.
American Exchange Bank.
Abbott Land Company.
American Sealing Machine Company.
Alleghany Coal Land Association.
Arcade Building Company.
American Machine Company.
Alleghany Coal Land Association.
Argola Lumber Company.
Alexandria Shoe Company.

American Construction Company.
Atlantic Fisheries Company.
Abingdon Pharmacy Company.
Augusta Mutual Beneficial Association.
American Brotherhood, No. 1.
A. B. Clarke and Son Hardware Company.

Banister Dan Mills Company.
Brown Electric Company.
Burgess Hunting Club.
Blue Ribbon Baking Powder Company.
Bodeker Drug Company.
Brandt Company.
Bank of Clarke County (amendment).
Builder's Exchange of Richmond.
Brown Dry Goods Company.
Brush Mountain Coal Company.
Booker, Poarch Company.
Bank of Louisa.
Baton Clothing House.
Buck Roe Social Club.
Bank of Louisa (amendment).
Booker Brick Company.
Browning, King and Company.
Banister Dan Mills Company (amendment).
Bruce Grocery Company.
Brunswick Lumber Company.
Biggs, Warren W., Heating and Ventilating Company.
Bennett, F. A., Company.
Bedford Fulp and Paper Company.
Bristol Iron and Railway Company.
Buena Vista Woolen Mills.
Bay State Shoe Company.
Bank of Chase City (amendment).
Boatwright Bros. Company.
Bank of Graham.
Bank of Suffolk.
Bankruptcy Audit and Collection Company.
Buena Vista Plaster and Mining Company.
Basic Furniture Company.
Blackstone Manufacturing Company.
Builders Manufacturing Company of Norfolk, Va.
Blackstone Electrical Company.
Bull, N. F., Company.
Becker Grocery Company.
Bank of Phoebus.
Bank of Floyd, Peoples.
Blackstone Lumber Company.
Bradley, W. B., Construction Company.

Bryant Fertilizer Company.
Blount Fruit and Produce Company.
Bristol Home Company.
Bank of Hampton (amendment).
Bennett Ferry Company.
Bank of Giles.
Bath County Telephone Company.
Banner Warehouse (Blackstone).
Bank of Lawrenceville (amendment).
Botetourt Telephone Company.
Black Mountain Coal and Coke.
Berkley Knitting Mills.
Berryville Milling Company.
Bank of Buchanan.
Bureau for Employment and Labor.
Baptist Home Mission Society.
Buchanan Water Works Company.
Back Bay Gunning Club.
Brothers and Sisters Grand Union of the United States of America.
B. H. Warner Company.

Chilhaire Lumber Company (amendment).
Chesapeake Watchman Publishing Company.
Cottrell Real Estate, Insurance and Loan Company.
Citizens Exchange Bank.
Clifton Forge Mutual Telephone Company.
Columbia Theatre Company.
Century Cycle Company.
Co-operative Loan and Collection Company.
Chevro Bnai Israel.
Citizens Ice Company.
Cifax Supply Company.
Chapman, W. P., Company.
Central Relief Association of Virginia.
Camm and Campbell Company.
Commercial Transportation Company.
Commonwealth Sick Beneficial Company.
Camp and Godfrey Company.
Citizens Ice Company (amendment).
Central Mortgage and Security Company (amendment).
Columbia Guano Company (amendment).
Central Company, (Danville, Va.)
Columbia Slate Quarry Company.
Columbia Electric Light and Gas Company (amendment changing name to
Columbia Park Electric Light and Gas Company).
Citizens Building and Loan Association, No. 10.
Craddock-Terry Company.
Church Extension Society of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Southwest
Virginia.

Commercial Café Company.
C. V. Winfree Tobacco Company.
Christine Bradley Y. W. C. T. U.
Crump, W. L., Company.
Chevra Gomly Chesed Cemetery Company.
Clinchport Telephone Company.
Commercial Building and Loan Association (amendment)
Crozier Lock-Washer Company.
Coffee, R. W., and Sons, Incorporated.
Chatauqua by the Sea Assembly.
Colonial Loan and Deposit Association.
Chewning, A. J., Company.
Co-operative Banking and Trading Company.
Clifton Forge Light and Water Company.
Carolina Investment Company.
Cedartown Cotton Company.
Clara Manufacturing Company.
Clarke, R. P., Company.
Cameron-Tenant Machine Works.
Cocade City Cycle Club.
Columbian Investment Association.
City Bank of Newport News.
Crowell Building and Construction Company.
Capital Stone Company.
Columbia Motar and Manufacturing Company.
Clifton Shoe Company.
Chesterfield and Powhatan Telephone Company.
Chesapeake Boat and Yacht Club.
Chesapeake Stock Company.
Chas. H. Page Company.
Churchland Manufacturing Company.
Central Agricultural Fair Association.
Citizens Ice and Manufacturing Company.
Cumberland Tobacco Warehouse Company.
Chesapeake Telephone and Telegraph Company.
Charlotte Williams Hospital.
Capital Wall Paper Mills.
Chesapeake Grocery Company.
Crystal Catering Company.
Caldwell-Sites Company (amendment).
Columbian Paper Company (amendment).
Christian, J. D. and R. S., Company (amendment).
Central Political and Social Club.
Clarke, A. B., and Son Hardware Company.
Chronicle Company.

Dunham Machine Company.
Dime Capital Savings System.
Duval, J. L., Lumber Company.

Domestic Fire Extinguisher Company.
Dexter Steam Laundry Company.
Donaldson Furniture Company.
Daily Press Company.
Dime Savings Bank (Alexandria, Va.)
Dulin and Martin Company.
Douglas Park Company.
Dix, John A., Industrial School.
Dewey Hotel Company.
Danville Textile and Fabric Manufacturing Company.
Dorchester Home Association.
Dr. Daniel Remedy Company.
Dymers Creek Fish Guano Company.
Dabney, George R., Company.
Dan River Furniture Company.
D. S. Jones Lumber and Manufacturing Company.
Denny's Anti-Fouling Paint Company.
Douglas Building, Loan and Investment Association.

Electric Railway Equipment Company.
Eagles-Cliff Mining Company (amendment).
Etna Mills Lumber Company (amendment).
Empire Manufacturing Company.
Essex Creamery Company.
Edward S. Rose Company.
Evans, Victor J., Company.
Elizabeth River and Hampton Roads Ferry Company.
Eakleton Hotel Company.
East Suffolk Real Estate Company.
Exchange Lumber Company.
East End Fuel Company.
Elizabeth River and Hampton Roads Ferry Company.
Eastern and Southern Trading Company.
Edgewater Company.
Eureka Patent Index Company.
Eddy, Chapman, Falk & Company.

Frankfurt Loan Company.
Fort Meyer Heights Land Company.
Falls Church Milling Company.
Farmer's Supply and Home Beneficial and Endowment Society of Virginia.
F. A. Bennett Company.
Farmer's Union Beneficial Association.
Firemen's Relief Association of Richmond, Va.
Flanegin Oil Well Cleaning Company of Ohio.
Fairview Land Company.
F. G. Alexander Company.
Frank Hitch Lumber Company.
Fluvanna Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Franklin Land and Lumber Company.

Faucette Grocery Company.

Flushing Lumber Company.

Farmville Telephone Company.

Fremont Polytechnic School.

Free and Accepted Order of Moses.

George M. West Company.

Goodwin Washing Machine Company.

Grand United Order of the Rising Sons and Daughters of Moses.

Groveton Cemetery Association.

Grand Fountain, U. O. T. R. (amendment).

Glade Spring Telephone Company.

Grayson Building and Land Fund Association.

Guarico Mining Company (amendment).

Grove Building Association.

Golofnin Bay Gold Mining Company of Virginia.

Graham Supply Company.

Gill and Thomas Company.

Glasotype Photograph Company.

Goulden & Morehouse Company.

Gladstone Hotel Company.

George R. Dabney Company.

Gibbs Automatic Gate Company.

Gesangverein Virginia Club.

Glamorgan Hydrant and Valve Company.

General Supply Company.

Gordonsville Female College.

Hardesty, R. H., Company.

Hillsville Co-operative Store Company (amendment).

Hollywood Cemetery Company.

Hampton Sash and Door Manufacturing Company.

Hydrolaion Heating Company.

Hampton Roads Social Club.

Hematite Ore Company.

Home Club.

Henrico Manufacturing Company.

H. Silverthorn Company.

Hobbie Company.

Henry County Tobacco Company.

Harris and Shafer Company.

Hampton Roads Golf and Country Club.

Harbor Water Front Company.

Hot Springs Lodge No. 86, I. O. O. F.

Hotopp Wine Company.

Hampton Roads Hotel Company (amendment)

Hofheimer Brothers Company.

Huff, Andrew and Meyler Company.

Home Building and Loan Association (amendment).
Hotel Willoughby.
Handy, N. B., Company.
Hobbie Company.
Home Beneficial Association.
Holston Mercantile Company.
Hodges Art Gallery.
Hay and Grain Association of Norfolk, Va.
Hebrew Cemetery Company (amendment).
Hitch, Frank, Lumber Company.
Hairston Exploration Company.
Home Brewing Company.
Henry Walke Company.
Home Brewing Company (amendment).
Hampton Gas Company.
Hampton Roads Villa Company.
H. H. Sheen Company.
Haynie Cigar Company.
Home Savings Bank of Washington, D. C.
Hotel Alleghany Company.
Haiwatha Pleasure and Social Club.
Hampton Roads Development Company.
Homestead Company.
Harris Buggy Company.

Iola Club.
Interstate Commercial and Collection Agency.
Isaak Walton Rest.
Industrial Building Company.
Isle of Wight Telephone and Telegraph Company.
Industrial Savings, Loan and Investment Company.
Interstate Coal and Iron Company.
Industrial Faun of the Grand United Order of Galilean Fishermen of Virginia.
Iwanta Corset Company.
Iowa Apartment House Company.

J. H. Small and Sons Company.
J. R. Noell Manufacturing Company.
J. L. Duval Lumber Company.
J. H. Small and Sons Company, changing name to J. H. Small and Sons.
Johnson Brothers (amendment).
James River Construction Company.
James River Falls Paper and Pulp Mills.
J. R. Milner Company.
Jackson Brothers Company.
John A. Dix Industrial School.
James River Falls Paper and Pulp Mills (amendment).
Jenkins Paint and Oil Company (amendment).
James River Lumber and Supply Company.

Jones, D. S., Lumber and Manufacturing Company.
J. B. Westbrook Foundry and Machine Company.
J. N. Merriman Shoe Company.
J. B. Pace Tobacco Company (amendment).

Kreger & Bradley Lumber Company.
Kanawha Construction Company.
Kensington Company.
King Lumber Company.
Kemp Lumber Company.
Kanawha Construction Company (amendment).
Keystone Supply Company.
Kate Empire Guigon Memorial.
King's Daughter's Hospital of Portsmouth, Va.
Kretol Chemical Company (and amendments).

Lancaster Club.
Lexington Mutual Telephone Company.
Lake Asphalt Paving Company.
Lown, W. G., Coffee Company.
Loth, W. J., Stove Company.
Louisa Telephone Company.
Langdon, Walter S., Company.
Lawson, R. W., Company.
Leesburg and Aldie Telephone Company.
Leicester Lumber Company.
Leterman Company.
Laboring Men's Association of Newport News.
Levy, M., Peanut Company.
Lincoln, Richards, Sand Company.
Lynchburg Trust and Savings Bank (amendment).
Lynchburg Family Grocery Company.
Lynchburg Milling Company.
Lynchburg Brass Manufacturing Company (amendment).
Ladies' Hebrew Benevolent Association.
Lawson Lead and Zinc Company.
Lumbermen's Marine Insurance Company.
Liberty Hall and Damascus Telephone Company.
Low Moor Iron Company of Virginia (amendment).
Lamberts Point Tow Boat Company (amendment).
Lynchburg Building Company.
Ladies' United Aid Society (Roanoke).
Licking Creek Club.
Logan Consolidated Coal and Coke Company.
Lace Display Case Company.
Lohman Lithographing Company.

Mitchell Transparent Ice Company.
Marshall Building and Manufacturing Company.

Madison Hotel Company.
Miners Trading Company.
Mount Vernon and Marshall Hall Steamboat Company.
Messenger Publishing Company.
Montgomery Medicine Company.
Merchants Tobacco Company (Petersburg).
Marteflare Literary and Social Association.
Midvale Mining Company.
Masonic Building and Loan Association, changed to Masonic Association.
Miller China Company.
Milton Smoke Burner Company (amendment).
Mexican Exporting and Manufacturing Company.
Massies Mill Telephone Company.
M. Levy Peanut Company.
Miners Trading Company.
Merchants and Farmers Bank (amendment).
Merchants Light and and Power Company.
Morrison Hay, Grain, Feed and Supply Company.
Milner, J. R., Company.
Massanutten Academy, Trustees of.
Mayo Land and Bridge Company.
Midland Hosiery Company.
Manchester Land and Manufacturing Company.
Metropolitan Building and Loan Association, changing name to The Prudential Banking and Trust Company.
Mineral City Land Company.
Machen Bros. Company.
Mutual Homestead Company.
Meherrin Power Company.
Martin, S. P., Cigar Company.
Manaos Rubber Company.
Merriman, J. N., Shoe Company.
M. A. Winter Company.
Miller House Treatment Company.
Mercer Development Company.
Men's Reading Room and Library Association of Charlottesville, Virginia.
Michie Company.
Merchants and Planters Bank.
Monroe Brothers Brick Company.
Mecklenburg Lumber Company.
Mehlin Kroeger Piano Company.
Morotock Manufacturing Company.

National Intelligencer Publishing Company.
National Galleries Company.
National Galleries Company (amendment).
Nalls Lumber Manufacturing Company.
New Pilot Publishing Company (amendment).
Norfolk Real Estate Company.

Noell, J. R., Manufacturing Company.
Norfolk Labor Protective Union No. 1.
Norfolk and Portsmouth Guaranty Title Company.
Norfolk Realty and Brokerage Company.
Negro Reformatory Association of Virginia (amendment).
Norfolk Mattress Company.
Newport News Wine and Liquor Company.
Nelson Manufacturing Company.
Nansemond Peanut Company.
National Capital Building and Loan Association.
Newport News Realty Company.
Norfolk Farm Supply Company.
Needham Building Company.
N. B. Handy Company.
Norfolk New Light Company.
Norfolk Manufacturing Company.
Norfolk County Ferries Company.
National Electrical Supply Company.
Norfolk Novelty Manufacturing Company.
Norfolk Light and Power Company.
Norfolk Vapor Lighting Company.
N. F. Bull Company.
Norfolk, Hampton Roads Company.
Norris-Peters Company.
Norfolk Transit Company.
Newby Woolen Manufacturing Company.
Newport News Steam Laundry.
National Beneficial Insurance Company.
Norfolk Warehouse Association.
North Ghent Land Company.
Newport News Distilled Ice Company.
Norfolk Refrigerating Storage Company.
Newport News Villa Company.
Norfolk County Water Company.
Newport News Manufacturing Company.
Norfolk Installment Land Company.
New Park Company.
Norfolk Auction Company.
New River Stave Company.
New York Manufacturing Company.
Norfolk Dredging Company.
Norfolk Electric Company.
Norfolk Heat, Light and Power Company.
Norfolk Building Company.
Norfolk and West India Fruit and Steamship Company.
Newport News Conduit Company.
Newport News and Norfolk Transportation Company.

Ocean View Cottage Company.

Old Dominion Hospital Abnormal Association.

Onancock Shirt Manufacturing Company.

Old Dominion Construction Company.

Old Dominion Fishing Company.

Occoquan Company.

Old Dominion Shoe Company.

Old Dominion Manufacturing Company.

Orange Horsemen's Association.

Old Folks Home, G. F. U. O. T. R.

Oak Lawn Company.

Old Dominion Realty Company.

Organ Chemical Company.

Planters Bank of Bridgewater.

Pyrites Mining and Chemical Company of Virginia.

Parker Klondyke Association, Roanoke.

Powers-Taylor Drug Company (amendment).

Park Land Company.

Park Bicycle Club of the District of Columbia.

Peninsular Fair Association.

Pelton Construction Company.

Patent Pyrites Burner Company.

Pizzini, William B., Company.

Petersburg Hat Company.

Potomac Mining Company.

Philo Club (Danville, Va.)

Plaines Aldie Telephone Company.

Plowman's Friend Company.

Peninsular Telephone Company (amendment).

Petersburg Supply Company.

Peninsular Flour and Feed Company.

Peerman Burial Company.

Pilot Mountain Gold Mining Company.

Potts, Thomas, Company.

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COMPANY.**

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Reported,	480
Read third time, amended and passed,	495
House agreed to Senate amend- ments,	529

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Read second time,	582
Read third time and passed,	601
Passed House,	745

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BRIDGE COMPANY.**

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Twice read and calendared,	411
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Read third time and passed,	601
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Reported,	503
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Twice read and referred,	477

Reported,	538
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Twice read and calendared,	546
Read third time and passed,	578
H. B. 767. To authorize school trustees of, to sell certain property, communicated,	544
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Read third time and passed,	601
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Reported,	563
Read third time and passed,	520

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NORFOLK AND KEMPSVILLE TURNPIKE COMPANY.

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RAILROAD AND TERMINAL
COMPANY.

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Read third time and passed,	368
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Reported,	339
Read second time,	359
Read third time and passed,	368
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Read second and third times and passed,	506
Passed House,	543

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RAILROAD.

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WAY COMPANY.

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Read third time and passed,	365
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Twice read and calendared,	174
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Twice read and calendared,	513
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Read third time and passed,	513

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Reported,	284	Twice read and calendared,	559
Read second time,	293	Read third time and passed,	560
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Reported,	90	ORANGE COUNTY.	
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H. B. 1197. To repeal an act regulating hunting in, communicated,	653
Twice read and calendared,	653
Read third time and passed,	653
H. B. 104. To authorize Barbour school district in, to transfer certain funds, communicated,	135
Twice read and referred,	136
Reported,	165
Read third time and passed,	176
Title amended,	176
House agreed to Senate amendment,	225
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H. B. 1045. To amend act in relation to, communicated,	589
Twice read and calendared,	591
Read third time and passed,	646
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Read third time and passed,	232
Passed House,	305
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Committed,	294
Reported,	347
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Read third time and passed,	373
Passed House amended,	544
Calendared,	548
Senate concurred in House amendments,	576
S. B. 293. To amend section 2131 of Code, in relation to, presented and calendared,	211
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Read third time and passed,	232
Passed House,	295

S. B. 289. To amend an act in relation to, presented and calendared,	210
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Read third time and passed,	231
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Reported,	397
Read second time and substitute adopted,	427
Read third time and passed,	489
Passed House, amended,	665
Senate agreed to House amendments,	665
H. B. 763. To regulate the taking of, in Potomac river between certain points, communicated,	544
Twice read and calendared,	546
Read third time and passed,	578
S. B. 533. To amend act in relation to, presented and calendared,	397
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Read third time and passed,	373

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Read second time,	368
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S. B. 534. To prevent scraping of natural, presented and calendared,	397
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Read third time and passed,	426
Passed House amended,	529
Senate concurred in House amendment,	532

PACE, W. J.

H. B. 1039. For relief of, communicated,	668
Twice read and calendared,	668
Read third time and passed,	716

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H. B. 127. For the relief of A. W.			Twice read and referred,	412
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cated,	148		Read third time and passed,	523
Twice read and calendared,	149		H. B. 485. For the relief of J. C.	
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cated,	545		Reported,	399
Twice read and calendared,	547		Read third time, amended and	
Read third time and passed,	577		passed,	416
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Twice read and calendared,	381		Houchins surety for J. A. Adams,	
Read third time and passed,	381		ex deputy treasurer of, to collect	
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H. B. 9. To regulate the sale of			Twice read and referred,	209
cider in, communicated,	56		Reported,	256
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Twice read and calendared,	94		Read third time and passed,	643
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H. B. 813. For the relief of, com-			H. B. 972. For relief of, communi-	
municated,	668		cated,	668
Twice read and calendared,	668		Twice read and calendared,	698
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H. B. 853. For relief of, communi-			H. B. 666. To permit, to register	
cated,	668		as a pharmacist, communicated,	496
Twice read and calendared,	668		Twice read and referred,	501
Read third time and passed,	679		Committee discharged,	664
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municated,		sented and referred,	503
Twice read and calendared,	668	Reported,	
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referred,	238	Passed House amended,	588
Reported,	260	Senate concurred in House amend-	
Read second time and rejected,		ments,	590
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vict in the, whose term expires		PENNINGTON GAP TELEPHONE	
on Sunday, shall be discharged		COMPANY.	
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cated,	235	sented and referred,	319
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Reported,	269	Read second time and amended,	366
Read third time and passed,		Read third time and passed,	366
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